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MEMOIRS
OF
GREAT BRITAIN,
FROM THE YEAR 1727 TO 1789.

1760.

THE naval and military transactions of this year, do not afford such a series of great and brilliant events as the last. A sort of respite seems to be given to the French navy; not that our measures for subduing the enemy were in the least slackened, but that the severe blows given by Admirals Hawke and Boscawen had so disabled their marine, that they had few or no ships of force at sea. They made but a feeble effort to succour their North American colonies, which were compelled to submit, scarcely any means being used by them to procrastinate their fate. The superiority of our force, and the activity of its Commanders, overawed them at the same time in the West Indies: while, in the East Indies, the whole of their settlements fell successively into the hands of Colonel Coote, and Admirals Stevens and Cornish.

The brave, but unfortunate Thurot, with his small squadron, made a more conspicuous figure, and did more for the service

his country, than Marshall de Conflans with the flower of the French navy. After having done wonders, in which his probity kept pace with his bravery, his little armament was crushed by Captain Elliot of the *Æolus* : but Thurot did not survive his defeat.

In America, the plan for prosecuting the war was steadily pursued ; and it ended in making a complete conquest of Canada and its dependencies. The Parliament voted seventy thousand seamen and marines, to be employed for the current year ; and the sums granted this session, amounted in all to 15,503,564 l. 15 s. 9½ d. (See Note 157.)

The Navy was kept extremely active. Sir Piercy Brett commanded in the Downs ; from whence he sent cruizers to annoy the enemy, and protect our trade in the North Seas. Admiral Rodney commanded in the Channel, and blocked up Havre de Grace. Admirals Hawke and Boscawen relieved each other alternately in Quiberon bay, where a large squadron was kept to block up the French ships of war in the river Villaine, and to send cruizers off Brest, Port L'Orient, and Rochefort. Commodore Swanton was sent out to Quebec with a squadron of men of war, and some store-ships, to join Lord Colvill, and to prevent the enemy from sending succours to Canada, by means of the river St Lawrence. Sir James Douglas was dispatched to relieve Commodore Moore at the Leeward Islands, where a very considerable squadron was assembled. Rear Admiral Holmes was sent to Jamaica, to relieve Vice-Admiral Cotes ; and a reinforcement of five ships of the line was ordered to the East Indies. Such was the destination of our Navy for this year.

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AFTER the victory which Colonel Coote gained over M. Lally at Wandewash, the affairs of the French went rapidly to ruin. Chittiput, Arcot, Permacoil, and Alamparva fell, with their garrisons, into the hands of the conquerors. Amid these successes, Rear-Admiral Cornish, with six ships, arrived at Madras. The Falmouth, one of his squadron, meeting
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with the Haarlem *, a French ship from Merguy, obliged her to run ashore two leagues to the northward of Pondicherry. M. d'Aché not appearing with his squadron on the coast, Mr Cornish was left at liberty to assist in reducing the French settlements. Colonel Coote, with the greatest part of the army, marched to attack Waldour, and to block up Pondicherry by land. Major Monson, with the chief engineer, seven gunners, and fifty pioneers, were embarked on board the fleet, in order to form the siege of Carical, with the marines which Admiral Cornish was to land from his fleet. They were to be joined by forty artillery, one hundred Europeans, and two thousand Sepoys, from Trichinopoly.

Admiral Cornish arrived in Carical road the 28th March, with his squadron; and at five in the evening, Major Monson, with three hundred marines, and all the pioneers, landed about four miles to the north of the place. They marched directly up to it, and took possession of the town early next morning, with very little loss. The Major finding his troops annoyed by a redoubt (called Fort Dauphin) in the rear of his army, ordered some shells to be thrown into it; on which the enemy immediately abandoned it, and retired to Fort Louis.

This opened a communication with the country, which supplied our troops with plenty of fresh provisions. By the 1st of April, a battery of four eighteen pounders was finished; and, being joined by the Nabob, and the reinforcements they expected from Trichinopoly, on the 3d, at night, they invested the place on all sides. By the 5th, they had erected several batteries, breached one bastion, and dismounted several guns, when Major Monson received advice that M. Lally had sent a considerable body of horse and foot as far as Chilambrum, to relieve the place. He immediately summoned the Commandant to surrender, which, after some difficulty, he did; and he and his garrison, consisting of two hundred and six Europeans, and two hundred Sepoys, were made prisoners of war. The sailors were of great service in landing the stores, which they performed in the night, close to the enemy, without any loss.

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Major

* This is the ship which the French seized last year from the Dutch with treasure on board; she was now loaded with timber and planks.

Major Monson marched next for Chilambrum, and summoned the garrison, who, by their answer, seemed determined to stand an attack. But in the night, some pioneers, who were carrying fascines to a battery, happening to mistake their way, had marched up to the fort *. The enemy imagining they were bringing ladders to scale the wall, cried out, "That they surrendered at discretion." There were no more than forty Europeans, and six officers, and between two and three hundred Sepoys and Topasses in the place. The garrison at Veradichilum surrendered soon after, where about half the former numbers were made prisoners.

Major Monson joined Colonel Coote the beginning of May, having, in the space of a month, deprived the French of many valuable possessions, and at last shut up M. Lally with his army within the walls of Pondicherry, the only place of consequence that now remained in the hands of the French.

The marines were re-embarked, and on board of their respective ships. Rear-Admiral Cornish was joined in St David's road, by Rear-Admiral Stevens, with the remainder of the squadron from Bombay, who assumed the command of the fleet. (See Note 158.)

Admiral Stevens proceeded off Pondicherry with the squadron; while Colonel Coote, who had taken Waldour and Villenour, encamped about four miles from it, and about half a mile from Oullagary, where the enemy still kept post. The Colonel threw up redoubts in the several avenues leading to the city; the enemy did the same; and the advanced posts were within musket-shot of each other. During this time the enemy made two attempts on Cuddalore: in the first, they carried off seventy sick; in the last, they were repulsed with loss.

M. Lally, now despairing to accomplish the ruin of the British settlements by force, had recourse to various intrigues and stratagems with the country princes, to bring them to his assistance. In some of these he succeeded; but that did not avail him much: for the Governor and council of Madras, with
Colonel

* The fort was a small square, with ravelins before each curtain, a false bray half round, a good ditch with some water, a covered way palisadoed, and a good glacis, with bomb-proof places in different works for five hundred men.

Colonel Coote, took such wise and vigorous measures, as rendered all his schemes abortive.

The rainy season drawing near, Governor Pigot and Colonel Coote requested the Admiral to land his marines, to assist in taking Ariancopang. They were accordingly landed at Cuddalore on the 29th of August, and next day joined the army. Colonel Coote ordered Major Monson, with eight hundred men, to attack the place; while himself, with the main body of the army, marched against the enemy at Oullagary, where they were very strongly posted.

M. Lally, who had received intelligence of this scheme, resolved, if possible, to disconcert it. He proposed, therefore, in the absence of the army, to attack our redoubts, which he had reason to think would be but feebly guarded. Had the execution of this bold and well concerted enterprize been equal to its plan, there is little doubt, but that considerable mischief might have been done. On the 3d of September, at four in the morning, he assaulted, at one and the same time, four of our advanced redoubts. Though they were only guarded by Sepoys, and a few gunners, the enemy were repulsed from three of them with great loss: the fourth they carried, and set it on fire, making three gunners prisoners. The army was marching to sustain the redoubts, when advice was brought that the enemy had retreated. On the night of the 4th, M. Lally made a vigorous attack on the redoubt near the Tamarind Tope; but the enemy were so well received, that, after a very brisk effort to carry their point, they were obliged to retire.

Colonel Coote at this time being superseded in his command, by Major Monson's receiving a commission of Colonel, immediately retired to Madras. Colonel Morris's regiment of Highlanders having joined the army, Colonel Monson gave orders for attacking the enemy's posts at Oullagary church, and the redoubts in the Bound Hedge, on the 9th, at midnight. Major Smith, with the Company's troops, attacked the former, a little before day-light, with such impetuosity, that the enemy were obliged to abandon their works, leaving nine field-pieces behind. He pursued them to a redoubt where they made some stand; but he soon drove them from thence, under the walls of Pondicherry.

Colonel

Colonel Monson having laid a plan for intercepting them in their retreat from Oullagary, had marched with two regiments for that purpose ; but, the night being very dark, part of his detachment missed their road, which causing a delay, he relinquished it: and being anxious for the success of his plan against the redoubts, pushed on at the head of his grenadiers, and attacked the enemy, who soon giving way, abandoned three redoubts, and left behind them fifteen pieces of cannon. At this critical juncture, Colonel Monson received a shot, which broke both bones of one of his legs. The troops now took post in the Bound Hedge, which secured to them the ground they had gained. On the 10th, the whole army encamped at Oullagary, and sent out detachments to secure the redoubts they had taken, and another to invest Ariancopang. M. Lally, seeing its fall inevitable, gave orders for withdrawing the garrison, and blowing up the fort, which was not so effectually done, but that it was soon repaired, and a post established there.

Colonel Monson being no longer able to continue the blockade in person, the Governor and Council of Madras, earnestly entreated Colonel Coote to resume the command; which he accordingly did, and arrived in camp on the 20th. The monsoon now approaching, on October 6th, the whole line was ordered to strike their tents, to march a mile and a half to the left of their former ground, and to encamp on a hill during the rainy season.

On the 7th, Admiral Stevens, who still continued the blockade by sea, determined to cut out the *Baleine* and *Hermione*, two frigates, which were anchored close to the town of Pondicherry. The boats of the fleet accordingly moved off in two divisions, at one in the morning: the one commanded by Captain Newson, attacked the *Baleine*; and the other, commanded by Lieutenant Ourry, attacked the *Hermione*. They soon became masters of both, and towed them off, notwithstanding they met with a stout resistance from the ships, and a severe fire from the fort, the town, and a floating battery.

The wet season being now set in, the Admiral, on the 23d, ordered five sail of the line to continue the blockade, under the command of Captain Haldane, and sailed with the remainder of the squadron to Trincomalé. All that Mr Coote had now to

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do, was, to cut off, as much as possible, the enemy's communication with the country. His orders, in this respect, were punctually obeyed, by that active officer, Major Preston. Whilst the monsoon lasted, no works could be raised against the town, but what the hurricanes and rains would have immediately levelled. Colonel Coote was convinced, that the surest method of taking Pondicherry, was by famine; his army not being of sufficient strength, completely to invest the place in a regular manner. Besides, he knew it to be strongly fortified, and defended by an able and resolute officer; whose pride and obstinacy, so prejudicial to him on all other occasions, would make him, as in effect it did, persevere to the very last moment, in defence of the only place which France now had in India.

Colonel Coote, desirous of bringing the garrison to terms, imagined, that by the constant alarm of some batteries playing on them at a distance, he might greatly add to their distress, they being already weakened by famine, and mutinous through discontent. He accordingly ordered a ricochet battery, of four pieces of cannon, to be erected to the northward, at fourteen hundred yards from the town, purely with a design to harass the enemy.

On the 10th of November, the stores were landed, and every thing prepared to carry on the siege with all the vigour that circumstances would admit of. The more to distress the enemy, batteries were erected to play on different quarters of the place, to enfilade each other; and, by that means, to render their situation in the town still more harassing and disagreeable. At the same time, our works were at such a distance from the walls, that the enemy's fire had no certain effect on them. On the 8th of December, at midnight, two new batteries were opened. The town was now so greatly pressed for want of provisions, that the number of deserters increased daily; but, what was still a more melancholy proof of their desperate situation, fourteen hundred of the poor inhabitants were driven out of the town by M. Lally's order, and, when stopped by our advanced guard, they were fired on from the ramparts, both with cannon and musketry; by which three of these miserable people were killed. They remained some days in that deplorable

able state, without any thing to feed on but grass; till Colonel Coote, finding the poor creatures constantly fired on as they attempted to return to their habitations, took compassion on them, and permitted them to pass into the country. Those in the town were not in a much better situation. They were reduced to such extreme distress, that they lived on camels, elephants, dogs, and cats; and even of this wretched provender, there was great scarcity. Sixteen rupees were at one time paid for the flesh of a dog.

M. Lally had hopes of being relieved by a powerful fleet from France. He continued firing briskly from the ramparts, but did not damage our works. They killed one gunner, and a Subedar of Sepoys, on the 9th of December. On the 25th, Admiral Stevens returned from Trincomalé with four ships of the line, and resumed the command of the fleet. On the 29th, a battery was begun, of ten guns, and three mortars, within four hundred and fifty yards distance of the town.

The new year was ushered in with a most violent hurricane; so that the 1st of January was as remarkable for the fears it occasioned in the British camp, as for the hopes of relief it afforded to the distressed garrison and inhabitants of Pondicherry. The afflicted eagerly catch at every glimpse which gives them the smallest appearance of aid, or of putting a period to their sufferings.

The British fleet, which had rode triumphantly before the town, and intercepted or chased away every succour that was endeavoured to be thrown into the place, was now in danger of being annihilated. When the storm began, Admiral Stevens had along with him eight sail of the line, two frigates, a fire ship, and a ship with stores. From eight in the morning, till ten, there was a constant succession of squalls, the last being always the most violent. At that time, Admiral Stevens, in the Norfolk, (having for his Captain the gallant and unfortunate Kempenfelt), was forced to cut his cable, and made the signal for the squadron to do the same. But the noise and violence of the gale was such, that no guns could be heard, nor a signal observed. Unfortunately, the other commanders resolved to obey their orders, and continue at anchor, until their cables became so strained by the violence of the wind and waves,
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that they parted; and the vessels, with the greatest difficulty, got before the wind, with scarce any sail set. The gale continued to increase until noon; by which time, the wind had veered from the N. W. where it began, to the N. E.; and in an instant it was succeeded by a calm, attended by a thick haze. This was of short duration; for, in the space of a few minutes, the storm burst from the N. E. and seemed to blow with redoubled fury.

Had the squadron got under sail, and proceeded to sea when it began to blow fresh in the morning, they would have had an opportunity of gaining sufficient sea-room, before the storm came from the S. E. The first gust of this fresh hurricane, laid the Panther on her beams; when, the sea breaking over her, Captain Affleck ordered the mizen-mast to be cut away. This not relieving the ship, he ordered the main-mast to be cut away likewise; but, in doing of this, it broke below the upper-deck with such force, that it tore it up, hung over the side, and continued to incumber the ship for a considerable time, until a violent wave carried it away. This answered their wishes; the ship righted; and, the reefed fore-sail having luckily withstood the violence of the gale, by means of it, they got back into fourteen fathom water, and there dropped the sheet-anchor; but it not bringing up, they cut away the fore-mast, the fall of which carried away the bowsprit, when the ship came round, and in this manner rode out the storm.

The America, Medway, and Falmouth, were likewise dismasted; and, after much distress, came to an anchor near the Panther. But it did not fare so well with the Newcastle, the Queenborough frigate, and Protector fire-ship, who, returning with the S. E. gale, mistook their soundings, and drove towards the shore, without endeavouring to come to an anchor. The loudness of the wind prevented them from hearing the noise of the surf breaking on the shore, which they had reached before they discovered their danger, and when they could apply no remedy. All three were wrecked about two miles south of Pondicherry. Of their crews only seven perished; who were dashed over-board by the violence with which the ships beat when they took the ground.

A more miserable fate attended the Duc d' Aquitaine, the Sunderland, and the Duke store-ship. Their masts unluckily withstood both hurricanes, until they were driven back by the S. E. tempest, and were under the necessity of anchoring; when, bringing up with all their masts standing, they were soon overwhelmed by the waves, and either overfet or foundered. The crews, in number eleven hundred, perished, except seven Europeans, and as many Lascars, who were next day picked up, clinging to some of the materials which had floated from the sunk ships.

The garrison of Pondicherry beheld the misfortune which had befallen the British fleet, as a miracle wrought in their favour; by means of which, they hoped soon to be relieved from the miseries of famine under which they had so long laboured. The vindictive Lally, therefore, when the storm abated, seeing the port no longer blocked up by the British fleet, exulted at its disaster, and with a heart replete with joy, he launched a boat from the beach, and by that means endeavoured to convey a letter to the French resident at Pullicat; of which letter we here give a translation, as it will serve to afford some idea of this singular man.

" MR RAYMOND,

" *Pondicherry, January 2, 1761.*

" The English Squadron is no more, Sir. Out of twelve ships
" they had in our road, seven are lost, crews and all; the four
" others are dismasted; and it appears that there is no more
" than one frigate that hath escaped. Therefore do not lose
" a moment to send us chelingas upon chelingas loaded with
" rice. The Dutch have nothing to fear now. Besides, ac-
" cording to the law of nations, they are only to send us no
" provisions themselves, and we are no longer blocked up by
" sea.

" The saving of Pondicherry hath been in your power once
" already: if you miss the present opportunity, it will be en-
" tirely your fault. Do not forget also some small chelingas.
" Offer great rewards. I expect seventeen thousand Morattoes
" within these four days. In short, risk all, attempt all, force
" all,

"all, and send us some rice, should it be but half a garbe at a time.

"LALLY."

This epistle was luckily intercepted, and the joy of the enemy was but short-lived; for, about sun-set on the 2d of January, the Norfolk, with Admiral Stevens' flag, was discovered in the offing, to the unspeakable satisfaction of his friends on shore.

By the judicious conduct of the Admiral and his Captain, the Norfolk returned in complete order to the blockade. He fell in with the Liverpool at sea, who had lost all her masts in the second storm; and soon after, he met the Grafton, who gave the Admiral the welcome tidings, that he had left Rear-Admiral Cornish, on the 28th of December, with the Lenox, York, and Weymouth, about thirty leagues off the land, in their way from Trincomalé to Pondicherry. The Admiral gave the charge of the Liverpool to the Grafton, and got to Pondicherry road in the morning of the 3d. In the afternoon, he was again joined by them; and, next day, by Rear-Admiral Cornish, and the ships under his command: so that the blockade was now as complete as ever.

Admiral Stevens immediately dispatched letters to all the settlements of the Dutch and Danes on the coast, informing them, that Pondicherry was as completely besieged as before, both by sea and land; and that if any vessels should attempt to throw provisions into it, they would undoubtedly be made prizes of. On the 7th, the Salisbury arrived from Trincomalé, and brought in a prize, called *La Compagnie des Indes*. At the same time, the Tyger arrived from Madras, where they had not felt any thing of the hurricane. Every ship of the fleet that was expected, were now assembled. The Elizabeth, and South-Sea Castle, with the Baleine and Hermione prizes were at Bombay; the two former gone into dock.

Colonel Coote was now employed in repairing the batteries, and approaches to the place, which the hurricane had almost ruined. On the 5th, the St Thomas redoubt, of very great consequence to the enemy, was attacked, in which were four twenty-eight pounders; and was carried without any loss. It did not,

however, remain long in our possession; for, next morning at day-break, three hundred of the enemy's grenadiers retook it; owing to the officer who commanded there, not being able to keep his Sepoys together. By the 12th, the ten-gun battery was repaired, and kept up a very brisk fire, which greatly damaged the counter-guard and bastion, and made a breach in the curtain. Next day, in the evening, Colonel Coote ordered a working-party of seven hundred Europeans, and five hundred Lascars, with the pioneers of the army, under a field-officer, to the northward, to erect two batteries; one for eleven guns, and the other for three mortars, which the engineers had traced out; and to carry on the other necessary works there. Although the moon shone very bright, the enemy gave them no interruption; and, by morning, they were almost finished.

The 14th, the ten-gun battery kept a constant fire the whole day, which entirely ruined the west face and flank of the N. W. bastion; and, on the 15th, the eleven-gun battery opened and played with such success, that, by eight o'clock in the morning, the enemy's fire was silenced: whereupon, Colonel Coote gave orders for beginning a trench to contain the royal mortars, and three guns, for the more speedy demolition of the demi-bastion and ravelin of the Madras Gate.

Notwithstanding that M. Lally saw clearly that Pondicherry must inevitably fall, yet that extraordinary man, from a most stubborn pride and obstinacy, scorned to make any offer to surrender, or to enter into any terms for the wretched inhabitants, which might have saved what they had left from becoming a prey to a victorious soldiery. But he had not the feelings which are usually found in men; his natural dispositions partaking much more of the brute than of the hero. He was proud, obstinate, and arrogant, to a great degree. The having been, for so long a space of time, daily eye-witness to the great and numberless sufferings of these unfortunate people, must, on a mind possessing common humanity, have made a deep impression. This alone would have been a strong incentive with any other man, to have used every means in his power to have obtained the most favourable terms from the conquerors, and to have alleviated, by every kindness and attention, the rigour of the fate of a set of men who had frequently

quently fought under his banners, who had behaved well, and who had borne with great fortitude many hardships, during a blockade and siege which lasted eight months; especially, when it is considered, that their present misfortunes had arisen from his want of success in the conduct of the war; and that, from having been in a state of ease and affluence, they were likely to be plunged into ruin and want.

The inhabitants of Pondicherry were now driven to the utmost despair; and M. Lally, finding that the place could not hold out any longer, consented to deliver it up, and gave the people leave to endeavour to obtain the best terms they could for themselves, from Colonel Coote. (See Note 158.) But, from the extraordinary method in which he chose this matter should be managed, no regard was paid to their representations. On the 15th, in the evening, Colonel Durre of the Royal artillery, the chief of the Jesuits, and two Civilians, came out of the city, with proposals for delivering up Pondicherry. (See Note 158.) M. Lally, notwithstanding all his misfortunes, persevered on this occasion in all his haughtiness. He declined to offer any terms from himself. Perhaps he would have found it very difficult to have urged any arguments strong enough to save the place from the fate of Fort St David.

He sent a letter to Colonel Coote full of invectives against the British, for their breach of treaties relative to India, of which the following is a translation:

“The taking of Chandernagore, contrary to the faith of
“treaties, and of that neutrality which has always subsisted
“between all European nations, and particularly between the
“two nations in this part of India; and that, immediately after
“a signal service which the French had rendered the English,
“not only in taking no part against them with the Na-
“bob of Bengal, but in receiving them in their settlements,
“to give them time to recover from their losses, (as appears by
“the letters of thanks from Mr Pigot himself, and from the
“Council of Madras to that of Pondicherry); added to the
“formal refusal of fulfilling the conditions of a cartel, agreed
“upon between our respective Masters, though it was at first
“accepted by Mr Pigot, and the Commissioners were named
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“ on both sides to go to Sadras, to settle amicably the difficulties which might occur in its execution ; put it out of my power, with respect to my Court, to make or propose to Mr Coote any capitulation for the town of Pondicherry.

“ The King’s troops, and those of the Company, surrender themselves, for want of provisions, prisoners of war of his Britannic Majesty, on the terms of the cartel, which I reclaim equally for all the inhabitants of Pondicherry, as well as for the exercise of the Roman religion, the religious houses, hospitals, surgeons, chaplains, servants ; referring myself to the decision of the two Courts for reparation, proportioned to the violation of so solemn a treaty.

“ Accordingly, Mr Coote may take possession, to-morrow morning at eight o’clock, of the gate of Villenour, and after to-morrow, at the same hour, of that of Fort St Louis ; and as he has the power in his own hands, he will dictate such ulterior dispositions to be made as he shall think proper.

“ I demand, merely from a principle of justice and humanity, that the mother and sisters of Raja Saib be permitted to seek an asylum where they please, or that they remain prisoners among the English, and not be delivered into Mahomet Ally Cawn’s hands, which are still red with the blood of the husband and father, which he has spilt, to the shame indeed of those who gave them up to him ; but not less to the shame of the Commander of the English army, who should not have suffered such a piece of barbarity to be committed in his camp.

“ As I am tied up by the cartel in the declaration which I make to Mr Coote, I consent that the gentlemen of the Council of Pondicherry may make their own representations to him, with regard to what may more immediately concern their own interests, as well as the interest of the inhabitants of the colony.

“ Done at Fort Louis of Pondicherry, the 15th day of January 1761.

“ *To Colonel Coote,*

“ LALLY.”

To the foregoing extraordinary letter, Colonel Coote returned the following answer :

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"The particulars of the capture of Chandernagore having been long since transmitted to his Britannic Majesty, by the officer to whom that place surrendered, Colonel Coote cannot take cognizance of what passed on that occasion; nor can he admit the same as any way relative to the taking of Pondicherry.

"The disputes which have arisen concerning the cartel concluded between their Britannic and Most Christian Majesties, being as yet undecided, Colonel Coote has it not in his power to admit that the troops of his Most Christian Majesty, and those of the French East India Company, shall be deemed prisoners of war to his Britannic Majesty, upon the terms of that cartel; but requires that they surrender themselves prisoners of war, to be used as he shall think most consistent with the interest of the King his master; and Colonel Coote will shew all such indulgencies as are agreeable to humanity.

"Colonel Coote will send the grenadiers of his regiment, between the hours of eight and nine o'clock to-morrow morning, to take possession of the Villenour gate; and the next morning, between the same hours, he will also take possession of the gate of Fort Louis.

"The mother and sisters of Raja Saib shall be escorted to Madras, where proper care shall be taken of their safety; and they shall not, on any account, be delivered into the hands of Nabob Mahomet Ally Cawn.

"Given at the head-quarters, at the camp before Pondicherry, this 15th day of January 1761.

To Arthur Lally, Esq; &c.

"EYRE COOTE."

To the articles proposed by the Jesuits, &c. for the East India Company, Colonel Coote returned no answer. (See Note 158.) On the 16th, the grenadiers of Colonel Coote's regiment took possession of the Villenour gate, at eight in the morning; and those of Colonel Draper's regiment, of the Citadel, in the evening. Next day Colonel Coote, accompanied by Rear-Admiral Cornish, and Captains Haldane and Tinker, went in and took possession of the city on the part of both services, as they had jointly compelled the place to submit to them.

them. In the city were found a great quantity of military stores, and a numerous artillery on the ramparts. (See Note 158.)

To such a degree were the inhabitants and Company's troops in Pondicherry exasperated against M. Lally, that he demanded a guard from Colonel Coote. In leaving the town, his secretary, endeavouring to defend him from the rage of the people, was murdered at his side.

This capture put an end to the French power on the coast of Coromandel, and in a manner annihilated their East India Company; as, in consequence of it, the British now commanded the whole commerce of the East peninsula of India, from the Ganges to the Indus, the most extensive and most profitable sphere of commerce in the world.

M. Lally, when he arrived in India, brought with him such strong reinforcements, that he vowed, after the taking of Fort St David's, he would extirpate the British from the country. But Colonel Coote having gained the glorious battle of Wandewash, not only secured by it our own settlements, but, by steadily pursuing his plan, without any considerable reinforcements, had the glory of delivering the British settlements in India from the power of their most formidable rival.

It afforded great satisfaction to the kingdom, to learn, that the most perfect harmony had subsisted between the fleet and army, during this tedious siege. The loss sustained by the army, was inconsiderable; but that of the navy was very heavy, as we have already mentioned. Among the gallant officers drowned on the 1st of January, were Captains Sir William Hewit, Baronet, and the Honourable James Colvill, of the Royal Navy.

Of the ships which were driven ashore, the guns, with most of the stores and provisions, were saved; and it was chiefly from the materials of those vessels, that the disabled ships were so speedily refitted. The loss the enemy sustained was very considerable. The military, who were made prisoners, amounted to near fifteen hundred; and the inhabitants and servants of the East India Company, to upwards of six hundred. The military stores and wealth found in the place was very great. (See Note 158.)

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WEST INDIES.—LEEWARD ISLAND STATION.

COMMODORE Sir James Douglas commanded his Majesty's fleet on this station, which was of considerable strength. (See Note 159.) His Majesty's sloop of war, the *Virgin*, commanded by Captain St Loe, on her way from Barbadoes to Guadeloupe, had the misfortune to fall in with three stout privateers belonging to Martinico, and, after making all possible resistance, was taken; Captain St Loe, and many of his crew, being killed.

The French having no squadron in these seas, Sir James Douglas was the better enabled to bestow his attention to the protection of our own trade, and to distress that of theirs. As, however, they had a swarm of small privateers, which greatly interrupted our commerce, he set about destroying them effectually, and placed his cruising ships in such a manner, that numbers of them were taken. The *Buckingham* and *Nassau* convoyed the first fleet to England. The *Foudroyant*, *Lancaster*, and *Emerald* the second.

Captain O'Brien of the *Temple*, with the *Griffin* under his command, being on a cruise to the southward, in the month of September, received information of seven sail of vessels that were at an anchor at the Grenades, laden with provisions, &c. for Martinico; to which place he immediately proceeded; and, after silencing their batteries, cut out the vessels, among which was his Majesty's sloop the *Virgin*, taken by the enemy in April last. The *Temple* had two men killed, and twenty wounded; among the latter was Lieutenant Vincent, who had the misfortune to lose his leg by a cannon-shot. The *Griffin*, who had an equal share in this undertaking, had not a man hurt. These ships, in their way from the Grenades to Antigua, fell in with, and took thirteen vessels, bound to Martinico, laden with provisions, &c.

The cruisers belonging to this squadron, made many considerable prizes. Many of the enemy's privateers were taken or destroyed, and numbers of them laid up at the different harbours of Martinico, &c.; and our own trade was so well protected, that the merchants had no cause of complaint.

WEST INDIES.—JAMAICA STATION.

REAR-ADMIRAL HOLMES relieved Vice-Admiral Cotes on this station, who sailed for England in the Marlborough, taking along with him the trade that were then ready. (See Note 160.) Admiral Holmes having received intelligence that five French frigates, with other vessels, were preparing at Cape François to sail for France, he dispatched the Hampshire, with the Boreas and Lively frigates, to intercept them. On the 16th of October, the expected fleet put to sea from the above mentioned port; and next morning, at sun-rise, the British ships getting sight of them, immediately gave chase; they then bore due E. Cape Nicholas bearing S. by E. distant eight leagues. Owing to calms, and variable winds, they neared the enemy but slowly. In the evening, however, the breeze freshened, which brought our ships fast up with them. At twelve at night, the Boreas being the headmost ship, got along-side the Sirenne, commanded by Commodore M'Cartie. They engaged very smartly for five and twenty minutes; when the Sirenne, declining the action, shot ahead, and endeavoured to get off. The Boreas, being disabled in her rigging, could not again close with her till two in the afternoon of the next day; when a vigorous action commenced off the east end of Cuba, and continued till forty minutes past four, when the Sirenne struck. She mounted thirty-two guns, and had on board two hundred and eighty men, eighty of whom were killed or wounded; most of their wounded died. The Boreas had one man killed, and one man wounded. At the time the Boreas first engaged the Sirenne, she was to the northward of the Hampshire and Lively, who were in chase of the other four frigates, which were making the best of their way to the southward; but the night being dark and squally, they were only able to keep sight of them.

On the 18th, at day-light, the enemy were six miles ahead of the Lively, exerting all their skill to make the west end of

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the island of Tortuga, and get into Port-au-Paix. The Lively, who made good use of her oars, was considerably ahead of the Hampshire, and got along-side of the Valeur, the sternmost of the enemy, at half an hour past seven. A very smart action ensued, which continued for an hour and a half; when the Valeur, commanded by Captain Talbot, struck, having a Lieutenant and thirty-seven men killed, and the Captain, master, boatswain, and twenty-two private men wounded. She mounted twenty guns, and had on board, at the beginning of the action, one hundred and sixty men. On board the Lively, only two men were killed.

The Hampshire kept on after the other three frigates; and the wind freshening, she gained so fast upon them, that at half past three in the afternoon, she got between the Duc de Choiseuil and the Prince Edward, the two headmost ships, and opened her fire upon them. But the first having the advantage of the wind, made good her retreat into Port-au-Paix. The other run on shore about two leagues to leeward, when she struck her colours: but, on the Hampshire preparing to take possession, the enemy set her on fire, and she soon after blew up.

On the 19th, in the morning, the Hampshire, having the Lively and her prize in company, made sail towards Fresh-water bay, which lies a little farther to leeward of Port-au-Paix, to take or destroy the Fleur de Lys, the sternmost of the three frigates she had chased the day before; but on the approach of our ships, the enemy set her on fire, and she soon after blew up.

The enemy had but few ships at sea. Admiral Holmes's squadron, however, took and destroyed a good many of their privateers. The taking of the Vainqueur of ten guns, sixteen swivels, and ninety men, and the Mackau, a small vessel of six swivels and fifteen men, from the bravery of the action, deserves particular notice. They were taken by the boats of the Trent and Boreas, commanded by the first Lieutenants of their respective ships, Messrs Millar and Stuart, in Cumberland harbour, there not being water to carry any of the ships up to them. The officers and men in the boats behaved with the greatest intrepidity, and boarded and carried the Vainqueur

under the strongest premeditated difficulties the enemy could lay. The Trent had three men killed, one missing, and one wounded. The Boreas had one man killed, five wounded, and her barge sunk in boarding. As soon as they had taken these two vessels, they pushed on after the Guespe, of eight guns, and eighty-six men, which lay farther up in the Lagoon; but on their approach, the French set her on fire, and she was destroyed. The loss of the enemy on this occasion, was very uncertain; for about forty of them jumped over-board, when the boats boarded the Vainqueur, and ten men were found wounded on board. The Mackau made no resistance.

The Harwich man of war had the misfortune to be drove on the Colorodos, at the west end of Cuba; and, notwithstanding all the efforts of the crew, was totally lost. Luckily the men were saved, and carried to the Havannah, from whence they were sent to Jamaica.

N O R T H A M E R I C A .

THE success which had attended all our military operations in this part of the world, last year, determined Administration steadily to pursue and follow up the advantages they had gained; and indeed, if possible, to deprive the French of all their possessions in North America, in the course of this campaign. For this purpose, three expeditions were planned; all of which were to have distinct views, in the first part of their operations, but ultimately to form a junction for laying siege to the city of Montreal; by the fall of which, an end would be put to the French dominion in this part of the globe.

The Commander-in-chief had been very assiduous, during the winter, to establish such a naval force on Lake Ontario, as would enable him to face the fleet the enemy had on it; and if he brought it nearly to an equality, he was pretty confident that he should soon become superior to them. For this purpose, two very fine vessels had been built at Niagara, viz. the Onondaga, carrying eighteen guns, of which four were four-pounders, the rest six-pounders; and a crew of one hundred men: and the Mohawk, carrying sixteen six-pounders,

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and ninety men. At Ofewgo, he had likewise some row-galleys, and floating-batteries, and a number of whale-boats built. These, with what he had brought down Wood Creek, he thought would be sufficient to transport his army across Lake Ontario, then to enter the river St Lawrence, fall down the stream, and attack the enemy's post at La Gallette. As soon as he had made himself master of that place, he was to proceed down the river against Montreal.

The military force destined for this service, amounted to near thirteen thousand men; one half of which were regular troops, and the other half Provincials; and to these may be added, a body of Indians, of various tribes or nations, under the command of Sir William Johnston, Baronet.

The Commander-in-chief made choice of this route, not only as the easiest, but as the surest means to prevent the enemy from retiring, by means of the river St Lawrence, and the lakes, to their settlements on the Mississippi, which they might have done, if he had advanced against them by the route of Lake Champlain. The second expedition was to be conducted by Colonel Haviland, whose force, in Regulars and Provincials, might be about five thousand men. (See Note 161.) Having a decided superiority of naval force on Lake Champlain, he was to embark his army at Crown Point, cross the Lake, and attack the French post on Isle aux Noix; which having secured, he was to make himself master of the enemy's forts at Chamblée and St John's; and, by means of the river Sorel, form a junction with the army under the Commander-in-chief at Montreal.

The third expedition, under the command of General Murray, was to proceed from Quebec, whose army was to be composed of two regiments from Louisburg, and all the troops that could be spared from the garrison of Quebec. With this force, he was to embark on board of vessels, and to proceed up the river St Lawrence, as soon as it became navigable, to attack any posts the enemy might have between Quebec and Montreal; and at this last-mentioned place, to form a junction with General Amherst. Lord Colvill, with whom the command of the squadron wintering at Halifax had been intrusted, entered the river St Lawrence as soon as the season would permit; indeed, fo

so early, as to preclude some store-ships from France proceeding up the river to Quebec, which city they entertained hopes that the Chevalier de Levis had retaken; whereby these ships were constrained to steer for the bay of Chaleur.

Administration were no way wanting on their part; for Commodore Swanton, with a very considerable naval force, stores of all sorts, and provisions, was dispatched very early in the spring from England, (See Note 162.); while, in order to strengthen the main army as much as possible, and lessen the public expence, the greatest part of the garrison of Louisburg was ordered to be withdrawn, and to join General Murray's army at Quebec.

A small squadron, at the same time, under the command of Captain Byron, (See Note 162.) was sent to Cape Breton, having on board a company of miners, with orders to destroy the fortifications of Louisburg, preserving only the island-battery, and the royal bastion of the town, where were the barracks, and which could easily be converted into a fort capable of containing a few companies of infantry.

The French Generals were sensible, that unless they made a vigorous effort to retrieve their affairs, they must inevitably be crushed by superior numbers; and accordingly resolved to recover, if possible, the city of Quebec, before the river St Lawrence was so far clear of ice as to admit of the British fleet. They therefore busied themselves, the whole of the winter, in preparations for this enterprize.

These, however, they were unable to carry on with such secrecy, as to prevent General Murray from obtaining information of their design. As he looked on the fortifications of Quebec as a strong cantonment, and trusted to them only as his last resource, he determined, the moment the frost broke up, to form a strong intrenched camp on the heights above the town; and which the enemy must force, before they could lay siege to the place. For this purpose, he called in his distant out-posts, ordered all the inhabitants to retire, and caused intrenching tools to be carried to the spot on which he intended to raise his new fortifications. The frost, however, prevented him from executing his plan, before the French army, commanded by the Chevalier de Levis, made their appearance.

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The enemy's force was composed of regulars, colony troops, and Canadian militia, making in all, between fourteen and fifteen thousand men. M. de Levis sent down the river his heavy artillery, stores, and provisions, on board a number of vessels, escorted by two frigates, under the command of M. Vauguelin. These were to come to an anchor at the Foulon, a few miles above the town.

Though the garrison of Quebec had suffered severely during the winter, from an inveterate scurvy which had carried off near a thousand men; yet General Murray, conceiving the French army to be chiefly composed of militia, (while the troops under his command, though fewer in number, were brave, in high spirits, and habituated to defeating the enemy), resolved to march out and attack M. de Levis, before his army could recover themselves from the effects of a long and fatiguing march, or his artillery join him.

Accordingly, early on the 28th of April, he marched out with upwards of three thousand men, the flower of his garrison, and twenty field pieces, six-pounders. He found the French army at the village of Sillery, and attacked it with the greatest ardour. Had the valour of the troops been properly seconded by the field pieces, it is probable that the Chevalier de Levis would never have broke ground before Quebec. But the Commanding officer of artillery, by some fatal mistake, placed the cannon in a hollow, instead of an eminence, where he would have had a full view of the enemy; and, by a most unpardonable blunder, the shot brought along with the guns, was for nine, instead of six pounds; by which means, the artillery was of no manner of use; and the whole brunt of the action fell on the infantry, who, after behaving as well as it was possible for men to do, were compelled, by superior numbers, to retire with considerable loss, within the walls.

Had the enemy assaulted the town that night, when the garrison had not yet recovered from their fatigues, and were dispirited by a defeat, the event, from the great extent of the place, and the weakness of the works, had probably terminated in their favour. But they lost this opportunity; and the garrison now seeing that their relief depended solely on the arrival of the British fleet, resolved to defend the place as long as it was

was in their power; in hopes, by their exertions, to find the enemy so much work, that their friends would have time to come to their assistance.

The next day, the enemy broke ground, and were busied in erecting batteries. The garrison, at the same time, was not idle; and from this time, to the 9th of May, the men were employed in repairing the works, and dragging cannon from the lower town to the upper. Their fire increased every day; and before the enemy could return a shot from their batteries, General Murray had got one hundred and fifty cannon mounted on the ramparts. He dispatched the *Racehorse* sloop of war down the river, to look for the fleet, and hasten them to the relief of the garrison.

On the 9th, the *Lowestoffe* frigate, commanded by Captain Deane, anchored in the basin, and saluted the garrison, whose joy on this occasion was so great, that they redoubled their fire on the enemy for some hours. Captain Deane immediately landed, and gave the joyful tidings, that Commodore Swanton, with a fleet from England, was at hand to give them relief. A schooner was immediately dispatched down the river, in hopes of finding him. Captain Deane had captured a store-ship from France, in the Gulf of St Lawrence, mounting twenty-six guns; which he sent to Halifax.

On the 11th, the enemy opened one battery of mortars, and three of cannon, which they afterwards increased; so that they had at one time, about ten mortars, and near forty pieces of cannon, of twelve, eighteen, and twenty-four pounders, in action against the place. But our fire was so very superior, that they were sometimes forced to alter their attacks; while at others, we silenced their batteries. The wind at last proving favourable, Commodore Swanton, in the *Vanguard* of seventy guns, accompanied by the *Diana* frigate, anchored in the basin, the 15th, in the evening. Captain Deane went immediately on board of the *Vanguard*, and let the Commodore know that General Murray was very desirous that the enemy's naval force above the town should be removed.

Early on the 16th, therefore, as soon as the tide would permit, the Commodore and the two frigates worked up to attack the enemy's fleet. At first, *M. de Vauguelin* made a shew as

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if he meant to stand an action; but he was attacked with such vigour by the two frigates, that the whole of his fleet fled with the utmost precipitation. The *Pomona* of thirty-six guns was drove ashore, and afterwards burnt, a little above Cape Diamond; and the *Attalante* of thirty-two guns, shared the same fate, near Point au Tremble, about ten leagues above the town. Of their whole fleet, only the *Maria* sloop of war escaped; and she, having a number of wounded officers and prisoners on board, made off the moment they perceived the British ships in motion to attack them. The rest of the enemy's vessels were either taken or destroyed. They lost many men, and had a number made prisoners, among whom was M. de Vauguelin, their Commodore. Whilst the *Lowestoffe* and *Diana* were employed in pursuing and destroying the enemy's fleet, Commodore Swanton, in the *Vanguard*, fell down the channel of Sillery, brought his broadside to bear on the right flank of the enemy's trenches, and enfiladed them with his cannon for several hours. This fire was so well seconded by that from the ramparts, that the enemy were compelled to abandon that part of their works. M. de Levis sent two field pieces to play on the *Vanguard*, but they had no effect; and the ship sheering with the tide, brought some of her guns to bear on them; on which the enemy retired with great speed.

In the night between the 16th and 17th, M. de Levis raised the siege: the Militia of the lower country were ordered to return to their respective parishes, while the Regular and Colony troops retired to Jacques Cartier. The better to deceive General Murray, they left their camp standing, with a great deal of baggage; stores of ammunition and provision; thirty-four pieces of battering cannon, ten field pieces, six mortars, four petards, and a large quantity of scaling ladders and intrenching tools. General Murray pushed out at the head of the grenadiers and light infantry, in hopes of cutting off some of them in their retreat: but they had got so much the start of him in point of time, and retreated so rapidly, that he could not overtake them, and returned to Quebec with only a few straggler prisoners.

The *Lowestoffe* frigate, in returning from pursuing the enemy, unfortunately struck on a sunken rock in the middle of the

river, and sunk soon afterwards; but all the crew were saved. Commodore Swanton, on his way up the river, looked into Gaspée bay, and found the store-ship on which M. de Levis so much depended. She was unrigged, and he left the *Eurus* frigate in charge of her. Lord Colvill, with his squadron, arrived on the 18th: he had been greatly retarded in his passage from Halifax by thick fogs, great quantities of floating ice, and contrary winds.

Captain Schomberg of the Navy, and Lieutenant-Colonel Maitland, were sent home with Lord Colvill's and the General's dispatches, to Mr Secretary Pitt, giving an account of the raising of the siege of Quebec. They were both most graciously received by the King, who ordered each of them a present of five hundred pounds.

General Murray having orders to march against Montreal, with all the force he could spare from his garrison, set to work to prepare for that expedition. He drew detachments from the different regiments, to the amount of two thousand five hundred men. These he formed into seven battalions, dividing them into two brigades; the first commanded by Colonel Burton, and the other by the Honourable Colonel Howe.

The fleet which was to escort them up the river, was commanded by Captain Deane *, and consisted of the *Penzance*, *Diana*, and *Porcupine*; the *Gaspée* schooner of eight guns; five row-gallies having a twenty-pounder each, and four row-gallies having a twelve-pounder each; forty transports, and twenty-six boats. The troops embarked on board the transports the 13th of June, and sailed next day, without waiting for the reinforcements daily expected from Louisburg under convoy of the *Sutherland*. They passed by Jacques Cartier without receiving any injury, notwithstanding that the enemy fired very briskly upon them; but the channel being near the south shore, the distance was too great for either their shot or shells to do any execution. They anchored that evening at De Chambaud. The next day, they were to pass the Rapids of Richelieu; to oppose which, the French had erected a battery of three guns, having also some armed galliots, in order to dispute

* This is supposed to be the gentleman who was sent express by the Admiralty to Admiral Boscawen, at Portsmouth, when he was on the point of sailing to North America, in 1758, to attack Louisburg. See *North America* 1758.

pute the passage. The Porcupine sloop, and some of our galleys got through. The enemy kept a brisk fire on them, and some of the transports as they passed, by which they killed an officer and three privates of the Highlanders, and wounded a few more; but were beat off by the cannon of the Porcupine and galleys. The tide now failed, and the wind became contrary; so that the army was separated for near twelve days, one half being above the Rapids, the other below them.

During this disagreeable interval, General Murray landed some of his troops every day on the south shore. He published a manifesto, assuring the inhabitants, that all who did not quit their habitations, and appear in arms, should be protected, and meet with no molestation. The Penzance was stationed below the Rapids, she drawing too much water to proceed higher up. On the 27th, a fresh and favourable gale sprung up; so that the Diana with the troops below got through, and joined their friends above the Rapids.

Had the enemy placed some armed ships at the upper end of the Rapids of Richelieu, and provided some smaller ones, filled with combustibles, ready to send down among our ships as soon as they entered them, it would have been next to an impossibility for our people to have forced a passage through the Rapids; and, to have reached Montreal by marching up the south shore, would have been a tedious and difficult task.

On the 8th of August, the fleet passed by Trois Rivières, which the enemy had made as strong as time and circumstances would admit of; and having removed a strong boom, laid across the river by the enemy to obstruct the navigation, they, on the 12th, anchored off Sorrel, at which place the enemy had a strong post, defended by a large body of regular troops, under the command of M. de Bourlemaque; which were designed to prevent a junction being formed by the army under General Murray, and that under Colonel Haviland. The Diana was stationed below Trois Rivières, to keep open the communication with Quebec.

M. Dumat, who had attended to General Murray's motions all the way up the north shore from Jacques Cartier, having with him a corps consisting of the piquets of the French army, the light cavalry, and some Canadians, amounting in all to near three thousand men, now cantoned his corps between

Trois Rivières and Montreal. Lord Rollo, with the troops from Louisburg, followed General Murray up the river with all the dispatch in his power. His little fleet was conducted by Lieutenant Garnier of the Navy, whom Lord Colvill had sent on purpose. About a league from Trois Rivières, he received a verbal message from General Murray, by Lieutenant Cock of the Navy, who being a senior officer to Mr Garnier, insisted on taking charge of the fleet, and of conducting it up the river : Lord Rollo would not interfere in the dispute, but only said, if he did so, he must abide by the consequences.

The river divides into two channels near to Trois Rivières; and by the southermost Lieutenant Garnier meant to have conducted the fleet. Lieutenant Cock was of a contrary opinion, and chose the channel close by the town; in passing of which, the fleet was fired very smartly upon from their batteries, by which Lieutenant Malcolm of the twenty-second regiment had his leg shot off, and several men were killed. General Murray made good his landing on the island of St Ignatius, and was there joined by Lord Rollo, and the troops under his command.

The Chevalier de Levis now took the command of the French troops at Sorrel, to watch the motions of the Quebec army. General Murray sent detachments down the river, and chastised some parishes who had taken up arms, after having taken the oaths of neutrality. Their habitations being deserted, General Murray gave orders to burn them. In his letter to Mr Secretary Pitt, he humanely laments being compelled to use this violence; saying, "My nature revolts when this becomes "a necessary part of my duty."

Let us now take a view of the operations of the army under the Commander-in-chief. The grand rendezvous of this army was at Oswego, where a royal dock-yard was established, and a number of ship-carpenters set to work to build gallies and a radeau, while the soldiers were busied in building a fort to contain six hundred men. The whole force, on this expedition, was near twelve thousand men. The grenadiers and light infantry of the army were formed into separate corps. The command of the former was given to Lieutenant-Colonel Massey, and of the latter, to Lieutenant-Colonel Amherst. On the 14th of July, our two war snows from Niagara appearing in sight of Oswego, the General sent off an officer to

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Captain Loring, with orders for him to proceed in search of the enemy's vessels, which he had intelligence were cruizing on the lake. On the 20th, these vessels appeared in sight of Oswego, Captain Loring not having fallen in with them. On this, the General dispatched a boat in search of the Captain, with orders for him to attack the enemy immediately. By the 25th, the army was assembled; and all matters being arranged, on the 5th of August, the General gave orders for the army to hold itself in readiness to embark.

On the 7th, the grenadiers, the first battalion of Royal Highlanders, and two companies of rangers, embarked; and were detached under the command of Colonel Haldimand, to take post at the bottom of the lake, and to assist Captain Loring in finding the proper channel for proceeding down the river St Lawrence. The army was escorted by five row-gallies, each carrying a twelve pounder; and a radeau, carrying a twenty-four pounder. On the 10th, all the regulars embarked; and in order to avoid the confusion resulting from such a number of batteaux and other boats and small craft, the General pushed forward with them, leaving orders with Brigadier-General Gage to embark the remainder, and follow as soon as possible.

A garrison and a number of artificers were ordered to be left at Oswego, where an hospital was established. From the strict discipline which the General caused to be observed, and the orders he gave out, our Indian allies began to grow tired of the service, as they had no prospect of having any opportunity of gratifying their natural disposition with murder and devastation; so that, when the army embarked, their numbers were diminished from thirteen hundred and thirty, to six hundred and six. From the number of troops left in garrison at Oswego, the sick in the hospital, and the desertion of the savages, the army was now reduced to about ten thousand five hundred men.

Bad weather obliged General Amherst, with his corps, to put into a small creek at night; in doing of which, an artillery boat was lost on the bar at the entrance of it. The weather becoming more moderate, he proceeded, at noon on the 11th, for the river de la Mothe; where he was joined by General Gage with the provincials on the 12th, when the army landed. It embarked the next morning, and, without meeting any accident,

accident, joined the advanced corps under Colonel Haldimand, who had taken post on a spot at the head of the river St Lawrence. That day the army passed by our two war vessels, when Captain Loring, not having found the right channel of the river, the General resolved to proceed without them. The 16th, the advanced guard of the army arrived late at Point de Baril, from whence one of the enemy's brigs appeared in sight; and by intelligence which the General received from an Onwégatchie Indian, he was informed, that one of the enemy's brigs lay aground near La Galette; and that another brig lay at anchor in the river, not far off. The General resolved to attack the latter with the row-gallies; and Colonel Williamson requested leave to lead the attack, to which the General assented.

The night being very dark, this attack was postponed till the 17th, when the army moved on, and soon came in sight of the enemy's vessel, which endeavoured to escape up the river. Colonel Williamson and the five gallies immediately made towards her. She cannonaded them with great briskness as they advanced. When the gallies got to the proper distance for engaging, the wind died away, which was of great service to them; as they were thereby enabled to point their fire with the greater exactness. Colonel Williamson was rowed in a small boat to the different gallies, and directed the attack.

The General had ordered Colonel Grant, with three hundred men, to advance and board her; but before this order could be executed, she struck. The action lasted two hours and a quarter. She was called the Outawa, mounted one eighteen pounder, seven twelve pounders, and two eight pounders; had on board one hundred men; was about one hundred and fifty tons burden, and was commanded by M. la Broquerie.

The General was so extremely well pleased with the conduct of Colonel Williamson on this occasion, that he named the prize the Williamson, and gave the command of her to Lieutenant Sinclair. The gallies fired one hundred and eighteen rounds; the brig fired seventy-two. We had a serjeant of artillery killed, and one man wounded: the enemy had three killed, and twelve wounded. The army reached Swe-

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gatchie, or La Galette, and encamped; from whence the General sent engineers to reconnoitre Fort Levis on Isle Royale, and the islands near it. The army was ready to move on at day-break of the 18th; but the gallies had not yet completely refitted the damages they sustained in the action. The engineers did not return till near ten o'clock in the forenoon; and, from the report they made, the General did not find it necessary to make any alterations in his plan for attacking the fort on Isle Royale.

The weather was very bad; but as soon as it cleared up, the General ordered the army to move on. A small vessel of the enemy's, together with four or five row-gallies, each having a four pounder on board, came in sight; but on our gallies making towards them, they retired under protection of the fort. The disposition made for investing the fort, was as follows—The General took with him the eightieth regiment, three row-gallies, the light infantry, grenadiers, first brigade of regulars, Schuyler's regiment of provincials, and the greatest part of the Indians who were with Sir William Johnson, and some light field pieces. They were to row down by the north shore, pass the fort, and take possession of the islands and coasts below it; whilst two companies of rangers, two row-gallies, the second brigade of regulars, Lyman's regiment of provincials, with the remainder of the Indians, under the command of Colonel Haldimand, were to row down the south shore, to take post opposite the fort, where they were under cover. The other provincial regiments, and the heavy artillery remained at Swegatchie, under the command of Brigadier-General Gage. The Williamson brig was ordered to sail down in the middle of the river between the two columns, and to anchor at random-shot from the fort.

The enemy kept up a brisk cannonade from the fort, on the column that rowed by the north shore, the row-gallies, and the Williamson brig; by which one row-galley was sunk, and several boats and oars were struck with their shot: on this occasion, we had two men killed, and eight or nine wounded. As the boats were ordered to keep at a considerable distance from each other, the column was of great length, and the last boat did not arrive till eleven o'clock at night, when the place was completely invested.

Isle Galot, and L'Abbé Piquet's island, were found abandoned. The enemy had fled with great precipitation, as in their houses some scalps were found, which they had taken on the Mohawk river, with tools and utensils of various kinds, two swivels, some barrels of pitch, and a great quantity of iron. Our Indians, on finding the scalps, burnt the chapel, and all the houses. Endeavours were used this night to weigh the row-galley, but without effect.

On the 19th, the General and engineers reconnoitred the fort, and pitched on proper spots for erecting batteries against it, viz. one on each of the two islands nearest the fort, and one on a point of land on the south shore. They were to be mounted with sixteen pieces of cannon, twenty-four and twelve pounders, one ten-inch mortar, and two howitzers; and the work was set about immediately. The fort fired on the Williamson, which Lieutenant Sinclair smartly returned; but the General sent him word to avoid, rather than keep up the cannonade.

In the afternoon, our two snows appeared, and the General sent orders to Captain Loring to anchor at random-shot from the fort, and avoid firing. The row-galley was weighed up in the night; the gun was found to be damaged, but not rendered unserviceable. The fascines and materials for the batteries being in great forwardness, the heavy artillery was ordered down from Swegatchie in the night, with all the troops there, except one of the Connecticut regiments, which was ordered to take post at that place. On the 23d, all the batteries opened on the fort; and their fire soon obliged the enemy to draw in some of their guns.

The General, that he might lose as little time before the place as possible, formed a plan to carry it by assault. For this purpose, the three vessels were ordered to fall down the stream, and anchor as near the fort as they could, their tops being manned with good marksmen, to prevent the enemy from making use of their guns. The grenadiers were then to be rowed in, and landed with their scaling-ladders, whilst the light infantry were to keep firing into the embrasures, and on the works. These orders the troops received with great cheerfulness, and prepared to put them in execution

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cution with alacrity ; but an accident happened, which obliged the General to postpone his intentions.

The Williamfon, commanded by Lieutenant Sinclair, and the Mohawk, commanded by Lieutenant Phipps, punctually obeyed their orders, anchored near the fort, and gave and received a very strong fire. But Captain Loring, in the Onondoga, not taking the same course, ran aground. The two first vessels, not being properly supported, were very roughly handled. The Williamfon had a plank started, and was obliged to retire to one of the neighbouring islands to get it repaired ; and as all the enemy's fire was now aimed at the Mohawk, she was in danger of being funk, which compelled Mr Phipps to order his cable to be cut, and to come off.

The enemy seeing the distress of the Onondoga, poured all their fire on her ; and although within four hundred yards of our batteries, Captain Loring struck his colours, and sent his master on shore to the enemy, who endeavoured to take possession of her ; but Colonel Williamfon observing this, ordered one of the batteries to be pointed against them. The fire from it obliged them to desist from their design, and to retire to the fort, with the loss of some of their people. The General then ordered Lieutenant Sinclair from the Williamfon, and Lieutenant Pennington, with a detachment of troops, to go on board the Onondoga. This they immediately did, with the most undaunted resolution, and again hoisted the colours : but all their endeavours to get off the vessel proving ineffectual, they, by order, abandoned her about midnight.

Perhaps this accident was not so unfortunate as was at first imagined. It probably was the means of saving much blood, which must have been spilled in assaulting the fort ; since on the 25th, M. Pouchot, Commandant of the garrison, beat the chamade ; and, demanding what terms he might expect, was answered, That the fort must be immediately surrendered, and the garrison made prisoners of war, only ten minutes being allowed for a reply. The terms were accepted within the time limited ; and Colonel Maffey, (now General Maffey), with three companies of grenadiers, took possession of the place. (See Note 163.)

The loss we sustained before it, was twenty men killed, and nineteen wounded. Our first shot killed the enemy's officer of artillery: they lost eleven men afterwards, and had about forty wounded. What row-gallies and boats they had, were delivered up with the fort. The pilots found in Fort Levis, were all detained, in order to conduct the army down the river. The garrison were sent to New York. The General changed the name of Fort Levis to Fort William Augustus.

When the place submitted, our Indians prepared to enter it, with an intention to tomahawk and butcher the garrison. The General having notice of their intentions, sent to Sir William Johnson, praying him to persuade them, if possible, to desist; at the same time assuring him, if they offered to enter the fort, he would order them to be fired on. The stores of the place, he said, should be delivered up to them, his army not wanting what few blankets might be found there.

This message had its proper effect, and saved the unfortunate garrison; but it in a great measure alienated the affections of these savages, inasmuch, that Sir William Johnson informed General Amherst, that he was apprehensive, from their extreme disgust, that they would quit the army, and retire to their respective homes. To this General Amherst replied, that "he believed he had sufficient force for the service he was going on, without their assistance: he wished to preserve their friendship, but could not think of purchasing it at the expence of countenancing the horrid barbarities they wished to perpetrate." And added, "If they quitted the army, let them take care not to commit any act of cruelty on their way home; for if they did, he would certainly chastise them."

Upon this, all the savages, except about one hundred and seventy, went peaceably home: these continued faithful, proceeding with the army to Montreal; and when the campaign was ended, each of them received a silver medal from General Amherst, that they might be known at the British posts, and receive every token of friendship that their fidelity and humanity deserved. Had the enemy observed a similar conduct

duct in all their military exploits in this country during the war, their achievements would not have been stained with the murder of women and children, infamously put to death in cold blood.

From the surrender of Fort Levis, to the 31st, the army was employed in levelling the batteries, and repairing the fort, the batteaux, and other vessels; in landing stores and provisions for the new garrison, which consisted of two hundred men; and in erecting an hospital for the sick and wounded. About noon, the General, with the first division of the army, embarked; rowed down the river twenty-four miles; and, passing the first Rapids, encamped that evening on the Isle au Chat.

On the 1st of September, he passed the Long Saut; but had the precaution to march covering parties along the shores. This was a disagreeable, as well as a dangerous operation. The boats were obliged to row in single file, and at a distance from each other, which took up a considerable deal of time, though the current of the river was violent; and the Rapids being full of broken waves, the batteaux took in water, and a corporal and three men of the Royal Highlanders were drowned. The army reached Johnson's Point, fourteen miles from Isle au Chat, and there encamped.

The General sent parties down to Lake St Francis; and Sir William Johnson went with his Indians to an Indian village called Asquesishna, to assure them of protection, if they behaved well. On the 2d of September, General Gage joined the second division of the army; when the whole rowed twenty-four miles down lake St Francis, and encamped at Point de Baudet; at which place the Chevalier de la Corne had been with a party a short time before. At night, very bad weather came on; but the boats were luckily sheltered in coves.

The weather still continuing bad, the army halted on the 3d; and on the 4th, at day-break, they were all in their boats. The navigation of this day was beyond imagination dangerous; and even the enemy, who were well acquainted with the intricacies of the river, deemed the General's attempt to pass the Rapids with an army impracticable. Had they been prepared with row-gallies and gun-boats carrying heavy metal, to

dispute his passage, and had attacked the army while in the midst of the rifts and broken water, or, before it was formed, immediately on passing the Rapids, they, in all probability, would have rendered this part of the expedition against Montreal abortive. General Amherst, however, aware of this, did all that lay in his power to prevent it.

Taking with him the light infantry, grenadiers, rangers, the battalions of regulars, the row-gallies, and some light artillery, and ordering General Gage to follow him with the rest of the army, he pushed through, but not without loss. Forty-six batteaux, seventeen whale-boats, and one row-galley, were either wrecked or sunk, whereby eighty-four men were unfortunately drowned; and a few pieces of ordnance, some stores and provisions were lost. Great as this misfortune may seem, it is trifling to what an opposition from the enemy would have been in this dangerous passage; and their neglect in seizing this opportunity, can only be accounted for by the advancing of the armies under General Murray and Colonel Haviland towards Montreal, as, in the absence of the troops, the place must have submitted to the army who first appeared before it.

The great art of passing these Rapids on rifts*, consists in managing the boats so as to keep at a proper distance from each other.

On the 4th, General Amherst, with the troops he had with him, rowed down the river to Isle Perot, where he encamped; and, early on the morning of the 5th, he was joined by General Gage, and the remainder of the army. Here the army remained all that day, repairing the batteaux and boats. When General Amherst, with the troops, landed here, the inhabitants fled, and concealed themselves in the woods. Some were taken; while others, observing that no violence was offered to their habitations, came in, took the oath of neutrality, and were put in quiet possession of their houses; at which they were not less pleased than astonished. They admired the exact discipline of our army, particularly the manner in which the Indians were kept within bounds, as they were under the greatest apprehensions from them.

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* These Rapids are four in number, viz. *Coteau de lac*; *Hattures des Cedres*; *Buison*; and *Trou et la Cascade*. The two last are extremely tremendous and dangerous.

Conscious, indeed, of their own former bloody enormities, they had little expectation that their crimes would have been so easily forgiven, and themselves treated with so much clemency.

On the 6th, at day-break, the army embarked, and soon after proceeded about four leagues down the river, along the south shore, in four columns; and in a few hours landed at La Chine, on the island of Montreal, (See Note 163.), about three leagues from the city of that name. The enemy made no opposition, but fled towards the town, breaking down a bridge as they retired, to retard the march of the troops as much as possible. The General pushed on with the greatest part of the army that day, and invested Montreal. In the course of the day he got up two twelve-pounders, five six-pounders, and five three-pounders of light artillery. The army lay on their arms all night.

Here we will leave the Commander in Chief, and take a view of the progress of the army under Colonel Haviland, whose force did not exceed three thousand five hundred men. (See Note 161.) On the 11th of August, this little army embarked at Crown Point, where Colonel Haviland left Colonel Forster of the Royal regiment to command, and proceeded down lake Champlain. On the 16th, they disembarked, and encamped on the left bank of the river Richelieu, a little way above Isle aux Noix. Here Colonel Haviland erected three batteries of cannon, and one of mortars; which, on the 24th, were opened against the fort the enemy had there, and played with such success, that M. de Bougainville, the Commandant, who had here a considerable force, retired on the 27th, leaving an officer and thirty men to capitulate, who were made prisoners.

M. de Bougainville likewise abandoned Fort St John, and Fort Chamblée, and retreated to Montreal; of which two places Colonel Haviland immediately took possession; and, soon after, of Longuille, and of the island of St Therese, in the neighbourhood of Montreal. From this last, Colonel Haviland dispatched an officer to General Amherst, who found him at Isle Perot.

On the 7th, General Murray landed with his army at the lower end of the parish of Point au Tremble, on the island of Montreal, from whence it is distant about ten miles; and, the
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same day, Colonel Haviland arrived on the south bank of the river St Lawrence, opposite to Montreal.

It is not a little remarkable, that three armies, whose operations were so extremely distant from each other, should all of them have completely accomplished the services they were sent to perform, and then to rendezvous, almost within the space of thirty hours of each other, at a particular spot, so as to be able to form a junction, and to co-operate in completing the grand and ultimate object of all their operations. General Amherst seemed highly sensible of the merits of the leaders of the two assisting armies; for, in his letter to Mr Secretary Pitt, he says, "I should do injustice to Governor Murray, and Colonel Haviland, if I did not assure you, they have executed the orders I gave them, to the utmost of my wishes: and to Brigadier-General Gage, I am greatly obliged."

In the morning of the 7th, two French officers came to one of the out-posts, and requested to be conducted to the Commander-in-chief. This was immediately complied with; when they presented to him the following letter, from the Marquis de Vaudreuil, Governor-General of Canada.

"SIR,

"*Montreal, September 7th, 1760.*

"I send to your Excellency, M. de Bougainville, Colonel of foot, accompanied by M. de Lac, Captain in the regiment de la Reine. You may rely on all that the said Colonel shall say to your Excellency in my name.

"I have the honour to be,

"With the highest consideration, &c.

"VAUDREUIL.

"*His Excellency Major-General Amherst, &c.*"

The consequence of this interview was, a cessation of hostilities until noon; at which time, M. Vaudreuil sent out the terms on which he proposed to capitulate. General Amherst sent them back, together with a copy of the terms he resolved to grant, accompanied with the following letter:—

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"SIR,

"*Camp before Montreal, September 7th, 1760.*

"I am to thank your Excellency for the letter you honoured me with this morning, by Colonel Bougainville; since which, the terms of capitulation which you demand, have been delivered to me. I send them back to your Excellency, with those I have resolved to grant you; and there only remains for me to desire, that your Excellency will take a determination as soon as possible, as I shall make no alteration in them. If your Excellency accepts of these conditions, you may be assured, that I will take care they shall be duly executed; and that I shall take a particular pleasure to alleviate your fate as much as possible, by procuring to you and to your suite, all the conveniencies that depend on me.

"I have the honour to be, &c.

"JEFF. AMHERST.

"*His Excellency the Marquis de Vaudreuil, &c.*"

This was followed by the following letter from the Marquis de Vaudreuil, to General Amherst.

"SIR,

"*Montreal, September 7th, 1760.*

"I have received the letter your Excellency has honoured me with this day, as well as the answer to the articles which I had caused to be proposed to you by M. de Bougainville.

"I send the said Colonel back to your Excellency; and I persuade myself, that you will allow him to make by word of mouth, a representation to your Excellency, which I cannot dispense with myself from making.

"I have the honour to be, &c.

"VAUDRUEIL."

As General Amherst had come to the fixed resolution not to deviate in the least from the terms he had prescribed for the surrender of the colony of Canada, he declined seeing M. de Bougainville, but sent Major Abercrombie, (one of his Aid-du-camps), to receive the letter he brought; to which he returned the following answer:—

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"SIR,

"*Camp before Montreal, September 7th, 1760.*

"Major Abercrombie has this moment delivered to me the letter with which your Excellency has honoured me, in answer to that which I had addressed to you, with the conditions on which I expect that Canada shall surrender. I have already had the honour to inform your Excellency, that I shall make no alteration in them. I cannot deviate from this resolution. Your Excellency will therefore be pleased to take a determination immediately, and acquaint me in your answer, whether you will accept them or not.

"I have the honour to be, &c.

"JEFF. AMHERST.

"*His Excellency M. de Vaudreuil, &c.*"

The Governor-General, finding that he could not prevail on General Amherst to make any alteration in his terms, the Chevalier de Levis, Commander-in-chief of the French troops in Canada, wrote the following letter to his Excellency General Amherst.

"SIR,

"*Montreal, September 7th, 1760.*

"I send your Excellency M. de Lapause, Assistant Quarter-Master-General to the army, on the subject of the too rigorous article which you impose on the troops by the capitulation, and to which it would not be possible for us to subscribe. Be pleased to consider the severity of that article.

"I flatter myself, that you will be pleased to give ear to the representations that officer will make to you on my part, and have regard to them.

"I have the honour to be, &c.

"LE CHEVALIER DE LEVIS.

"*His Excellency Major-General Amherst.*"

When M. de Lapause perceived that General Amherst had perused the letter he had brought from the Chevalier de Levis, he was endeavouring, with all the rhetoric he was master of, to state the grievance of which the Chevalier complained,

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ed; when the General, desiring him to be silent, told him, "That on account of the infamous part which the troops of France had acted, in exciting the savages to perpetrate the most horrid and unheard-of barbarities during the whole progress of the war, and for other open treacheries, as well as flagrant breaches of faith, he was resolved to manifest to all the world, by this capitulation, his detestation of such ungenerous practices, and his disapprobation of their conduct: he was therefore determined to decline listening to any farther remonstrances on this subject."

The General having thus explained the noble motives on which he acted, dismissed M. de Lapause, with the following letter to the Chevalier de Levis.

"SIR,

"The letter which you have sent me by M. de Lapause, has this instant been delivered to me. All I have to say in answer to it is, That I cannot alter, in the least, the conditions which I have offered to the Marquis de Vaudreuil; and I expect his definitive answer, by the bearer, on his return. On every other occasion, I shall be glad to convince you of the consideration with which I am, &c.

"JEFF. AMHERST.

"*M. le Chevalier de Levis.*"

Soon after, the Governor-General sent out an officer, with the following letter to General Amherst.

"SIR,

"*Montreal, September 7th, 1760.*

"I have determined to accept the conditions your Excellency proposes. In consequence whereof, I desire you will come to a determination with regard to the measures to be taken relative to the signing of the said articles.

"I have the honour to be, &c.

"VAUDREUIL.

"*His Excellency General Amherst.*"

To which letter, General Amherst returned the following answer.

"SIR,

"Camp before Montreal, September 8th, 1760.

"In order to fulfil so much the sooner on my part, the execution of the conditions which your Excellency has just determined to accept; I would propose, that you should sign the articles which I sent yesterday to your Excellency, and that you would send them back to me by Major Abercrombie, that a duplicate may be made of them immediately, which I shall sign, and send to your Excellency.

"I repeat here the assurances of the desire I have to procure to your Excellency, and to the Officers and troops under your command, all possible conveniencies and protection. For which purpose, I reckon that you will judge it proper that I should cause possession to be taken of the gates, and place guards immediately after the reciprocal signature of the capitulation. However, I shall leave this to your own convenience; since I propose it only with a view of maintaining good order, and to prevent, with greater certainty, any thing being attempted against the good faith and terms of the capitulation; in order to which, I shall give the command of these troops to Colonel Haldimand, who, I am persuaded, will be agreeable to you.

"I have the honour to be, &c.

"JEFF. AMHERST.

"His Excellency Marquis de Vaudreuil, &c."

The same day, the General sent another letter to the Marquis de Vaudreuil, as follows:—

"SIR,

Camp before Montreal, September 8th, 1760.

"I have just sent to your Excellency, by Major Abercrombie, a duplicate of the capitulation which you have signed this morning; and, in conformity thereto, and the letters that have passed between us, I likewise sent Colonel Haldimand to take possession of one of the gates of the town, in order to enforce the observation of good order, and prevent differences on both sides.

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"I flatter myself that you will have reason to be fully satisfied with my choice of the said Colonel on this occasion.

"I have the honour to be, &c.

"JEFF. AMHERST.

"*His Excellency Marquis de Vaudreuil, &c.*"

Colonel Haldimand accordingly went into the town, took possession of the gates, and proceeded to the parade; where the second battalion of the regiment of La Reine, the second battalion of the regiment of La Sarre, the second battalion of the regiment of Royal Roussillon, Languedoc, Guienne, and Bearn, with the second and third battalions of the regiment of Berry, and two of De la Marine, or colony troops, were drawn up, being about four thousand and eleven men; when he saw them lay down their arms agreeable to the terms of capitulation. He then demanded the colours of each battalion and regiment. Their reply to this was curious:—That although the several regiments had brought their colours with them from France, they had, finding them troublesome and of little use in this woody country, destroyed them. This answer being repeated to General Amherst, he insisted that the Marquis de Vaudreuil, and the Chevalier de Levis, should affirm this to be truth, on their words of honour. This they immediately did.

The destruction of the colours of the different regiments, was a measure the enemy had very recently adopted; for, so late as the 28th of April, several were seen at the battle of Sillery, near Quebec. The enemy restored two stand of colours belonging to the late regiments of General Shirley and Sir William Pepperel, taken at Oswego in 1756. The other two stand of colours had been hung as trophies in the cathedral of Quebec, and were destroyed with that church, during the siege in 1759.

General Amherst, on the 13th of September, detached Major Rogers, with two companies of Rangers, and a detachment of the royal regiment of artillery, to take possession of all the posts the enemy had upon the Lakes. He was only able to reach Detroit, which M. Delatre delivered up directly; but, the season being too far advanced for his proceeding to Michilimackinack, he remained at Detroit during the

winter; and, as soon as the Lakes were navigable, set out, and took possession of all the French posts in the government of Canada.

Whilst General Murray was proceeding up the river to Montreal, he sent orders to Colonel Frazer, whom he had left Commandant at Quebec, to embark with a detachment, and to attack the fort the enemy had left at Jacques Cartier. This he immediately did; and, landing near that place, took possession of a rising ground which entirely commanded the place. He sent a summons to the Governor to surrender; but he returned for answer, that he would defend the place to the last extremity. On this, some mortars began to play on the fort, and a battery was also in great forwardness, when the Marquis de Albergotti changed his resolution, and offered to surrender; which he did at discretion. The condition of the place but ill suited with the Marquis's pompous threat; for, in it, there were found only a few very indifferent guns, little ammunition, and scarce any provisions, except a little live stock, and a garrison of about one hundred men, including fifty of the militia.

The enemy had a number of small privateers, which greatly interrupted the navigation of the river. These took shelter in small creeks and bays, chiefly on the north shore of the river St Lawrence, where the large ships of war could not come at them; and from whence they sallied forth when they saw any defenceless vessels going up or down it. In the river Sangueney, above Tadoussac, there was a great number of these vermin. Lord Colvill sent some small ships of war, and a number of armed schooners, with orders to search every creek and bay, from the mouth of the river, to Quebec; when, after much trouble and fatigue, they had the good fortune to take or destroy them all, and to retake many of the vessels of which they had made prizes. The succours which the French destined to the aid of their North American colonies, did not arrive in the river St Lawrence, until Lord Colvill and his squadron had entered it. This intelligence was communicated to them by the master of a vessel which was taken by one of the frigates that escorted the store-ships from France. On this they determined to retire up
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the Bay de Chaleur, a place but little known, hoping to get intelligence conveyed over land to the Marquis de Vaudreuil, of their disagreeable situation, while they must necessarily wait his orders there.

A Richigouchi Indian, however, informed Lord Colvill, at Quebec, that the ships containing the before-mentioned succours, were at the French settlement in Chaleur bay; on which he detached the Prince of Orange, Rochester, and Eur-rus, with some small armed vessels under the command of Captain Wallis, to the place described by the Indian, to take or destroy them.

At the same time, another Indian having arrived, conveying the like information to the Governor of Louisburg, and stating, that there were two fifty gun ships, three frigates, and a great many schooners, in the Bay de Chaleur; the Governor directly communicated this intelligence to Commodore Byron, who thought any opportunity which presented itself of crushing the French naval power, ought not to be neglected. He accordingly sailed with his squadron, (See Note 162.) and got into the bay the 24th of June; but was surprized to find only the Machault of thirty-two guns, the Bienfaisant of twenty-two, and the Marquis de Marloze of sixteen, with a number of small vessels.

The Commodore having been separated from his squadron, arrived some time before the rest of his ships. As soon as he made his appearance, the enemy landed what few troops they had brought out with them, and erected a battery to endeavour to prevent the Fame from getting farther up the bay. This gave a good deal of interruption to the boats employed in sounding; but this business being finished, the Commodore proceeded up the bay, and bringing his broadside to bear on the battery, poured such a heavy fire on it, that the enemy abandoned their works, and fled with their ships to the upper end of the bay, where they had a considerable settlement. Here they thought themselves secure; as, for want of a sufficient depth of water, large ships could not follow them; but, not trusting altogether to that, they set to work, and erected two batteries on opposite points of land, which projected into the bay. The entrance between them being very narrow, they placed the Machault and
Bienfaisant

Bienfaisant in such a manner, as to bear upon it with their broadsides, and seemed resolved to make an obstinate defence.

The remainder of the squadron being now arrived, the Commodore determined to lose no time in attacking them. He put an additional number of men on board of the *Repulse* and *Scarborough*, and one hundred men on board of a schooner carrying four guns, six pounders; while, with the boats of the squadron, he warped the frigates close up to their batteries, notwithstanding that they all the while kept up a warm cannonade upon them. The frigates soon silenced their weakest battery; after which, they brought their broadsides to bear on the strongest one, and on the enemy's ships; when, after a very hot action of some hours, the *Machault* struck her colours: but, before our people could take possession of her, the enemy set her and the *Bienfaisant* on fire, and landed all their crews. They had about seventy British prisoners confined on board the *Marquis de Marloze*, who dreaded every moment that the ship they were in would share the fate of the others, as the enemy had abandoned her, and carried off all her boats. With the greatest difficulty these unfortunate people forced open the hatches; which the enemy perceiving, they had the barbarity to fire on them from the shore; but fortunately, the distance was too great, for musketry to do execution. In this disagreeable situation did they wait till it grew dark, when one of them swam on board the *Repulse*, and gave information of their condition.

On this, the boats were ordered to be manned and armed, and, under cover of the fire of the frigates, passed the enemy's battery, and reached the *Marquis de Marloze*; took out the prisoners, and set the ship on fire. The enemy now fled from their works into the woods; and next day, the village, which consisted of upwards of two hundred houses, with the prize ships and small craft, together with the whole settlement, were effectually destroyed. In this action, we had twelve men killed, and the same number wounded. By a deserter, it was learned, that the enemy had thirty men killed, and many more wounded. As Commodore Byron was coming down the bay de Chaleur, on his return to *Louisburg*, he met the squadron under the command of Captain Wallis, which had been detached by Lord Colvill, to perform the service that he had

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just been upon. As soon as Louisburg was dismantled, Mr Byron and his squadron returned to England, taking the miners with him.

Major Barré was selected by the Commander-in-chief to be the bearer of his dispatches to Mr Secretary Pitt. And as Captain Deane, of the *Diana*, had conducted the fleet from Quebec to Montreal, to the entire satisfaction of every one; and indeed the very important services which he had rendered his country during the whole of this campaign, appeared in so conspicuous a light to Generals Amherst and Murray, that they were induced to request of Lord Colvill to appoint him to be the bearer of his Lordship's dispatches to the Secretary of State. Nothing could be more agreeable to Lord Colvill's inclinations; and he was sent home with them accordingly. His Majesty received both Captain Deane and Major Barré, in the most gracious manner, and was pleased to order the sum of five hundred pounds to be given to each of them to buy a sword.

His Majesty's ship the *Eurus*, of twenty guns, commanded by Captain John Elphinstone, being on a cruize, was overtaken by a severe storm, and wrecked near the mouth of the river St Lawrence: the crew were saved.

MEDITERRANEAN.

VICE-ADMIRAL SAUNDERS was appointed to command his Majesty's fleet in the Mediterranean, and sailed from England in the month of April. (See Note 164.) His Majesty, in the year 1759, sent Captain Milbank of the *Guernsey*, as his Ambassador to the Emperor of Morocco, in order to treat for the ransom of the crew of his Majesty's ship the *Litchfield*, wrecked on the coast of Africa in 1758, which he got settled; and at the same time stipulated for the release of all other his Majesty's subjects, then in captivity. The sum required was 225,000 hard dollars, which was accordingly paid, and the people delivered up to him. Captain Barton, the Commander of the *Litchfield*, was soon after appointed to the command of the *Temeraire* man of war of seventy-four guns.

Admiral Saunders having intelligence that the French were preparing some ships at Toulon, sailed from Gibraltar the 24th
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of June, in hopes of falling in with them. He sent the *Vestal* along the Spanish, and the *Valeur* along the Barbary shore, to reconnoitre all the bays and harbours as they passed; while himself, with his squadron, steered a middle course, so as to be ready to act as exigencies might require. The two frigates, not having discovered any thing of the enemy, joined him off Minorca. The Admiral then steered for Toulon; and by disguising one of his frigates, he decoyed off a pilot-boat, from the master of which he learned, that the French squadron, consisting of two ships of sixty-four, two of fifty guns, and two frigates, had sailed about fifteen days before, having on board an Ambassador for Constantinople. On this information, Admiral Saunders detached Captain Palliser, with the *Shrewsbury*, *Somerset*, *Dunkirk* and *Preston*, and the *Shannon*, *Pallas*, *Vestal*, and *Kennington* frigates in search of the enemy. The *Pallas* chased one of the enemy's ships, of much superior force, into the Morea; while Captain Palliser blocked up the remainder in a port in the isle of Candia for several months, by which means he prevented the enemy from giving any annoyance to our trade. But his ships growing foul, he was obliged to relinquish his station, and bear away for Gibraltar to refit.

The enemy finding the seas clear, stole back to Toulon. The *Thetis* and *Rainbow* took the *Victoire* privateer of *Marfeilles*, of twenty-four guns. The *Cygnets* took the *Jupitre*, a French privateer of eighteen guns, and one hundred and thirty-five men. The *Quebec* took the *Phoenix*, a French privateer of eighteen guns, and one hundred and twenty-five men.

The diligence of Admiral Saunders was such, that from the time he made his appearance in these seas, the enemy's trade was reduced to a state of stagnation; while his attention to serve the allies of his country, kept pace with his inclination to distress her enemies.

When the subjects of Portugal were ordered to leave the Pope's dominions, he, judging that such Portuguese of distinction as might choose to return home, would repair to Leghorn for a passage, immediately sent an express to Civita Vecchia, to acquaint them, that a man of war should be ready at Leghorn to carry them to Lisbon. They accordingly repaired thither

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ther, and embarked on board the *Jersey*, which conducted them to that port. A mark of attention with which his Most Faithful Majesty was extremely well pleased.

TRANSACTIONS AT OR NEAR HOME.

ALTHOUGH the expedition under the command of the famous M. Thurot failed from Dunkirk in October 1759, yet as it did not reach the object of its destination, nor commence its operations until the beginning of this year, it now comes in course to be described. His force consisted of five frigates, manned with seven hundred and twenty-six sailors; and on board this little squadron were embarked thirteen hundred land-forces. (See Note 165.) These were commanded by M. Flobert, a Brigadier-General, and were intended to second the operations of the Duc d'Aiguillon, by landing in the north of Ireland, soon after he was supposed to have invaded the southern part of that kingdom. This armament may be considered as the last wreck of their grand plan of invasion, every branch of which was happily blasted and rendered abortive, through the vigilance of the Minister, and the activity and bravery of the officers who acted by his orders, and put his plans into execution.

On the 17th of October 1759, M. Thurot had the good fortune to make his escape from Dunkirk with his little squadron, in absence of the fleet under Commodore Boys, which, after blocking him up all the summer, had been forced, by a violent gale of wind, to retire to the Downs. His first rendezvous was Gottenburg in Sweden. Here he remained fifteen days, when, having taken in what stores he stood in need of, he proceeded to Bergen in Norway. On his voyage thither, he encountered a terrible storm; his fleet was separated; and the *Begon*, one of his ships, received so much damage, that she was obliged to return to France. Having repaired his squadron in the best manner he could at Bergen, he sailed from that port the 25th of December, with his four frigates, and proceeded round the Orkney Islands for his destination; when, after a tempestuous voyage, and overcoming many dif-

facilities, they got sight of the Irish coast on the 25th of January, intending to have made a descent near Londonderry; but the wind becoming contrary, and increasing to a storm, the ships separated, and were in great danger of being wrecked. The *Blonde* suffered much; four of her guns being obliged to be thrown over-board to ease the ship. The *Amaranth* could not find the squadron again; and, after suffering many hardships, and having been chased several times, arrived in great distress at St Malo.

M. Thurot's squadron was now diminished to three ships, all of which had suffered severely in this last storm: provisions were likewise become so scarce on board, that the men were reduced to short allowance. In this situation, the Captains of the *Blonde* and *Terpsichore* made the signal to speak with the Commodore. Being come on board, they requested him to return to France, as, from sickness, and reduced numbers, they thought they could not fulfil the intention of the enterprize. This, M. Thurot positively refused; but, in order to refresh the men, he agreed to put into the island of *Isla* as soon as possible; which, on the 16th of February, they got sight of. The people on shore mistaking them for merchant ships who wanted pilots, Messrs M'Donald and M'Neil, in a small boat, went on board of the Commodore. They were immediately conducted into the great cabin, when they first discovered their mistake. M. Thurot treated them with great politeness, and assured them they had nothing to fear; for that all he wanted, was to be conducted into a safe harbour; and if the country people would furnish him with provisions, they should be paid for them in ready money. Mr M'Neil was sent on shore to let the people know this, and prevent their being alarmed.

In the evening, the ships were conducted into Claggencarrick bay, where they came to an anchor. Two French boats went, without orders, and plundered two sloops in the bay, one of them belonging to Mr M'Donald. When M. Thurot was informed of this, he was extremely displeased; and as his people had carried off five tons of flour from the vessel, he insisted upon paying fifty guineas in lieu of it, although Mr M'Donald assured him that it was more than the value.

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The Marshall Belleisle being very leaky, they brought the ship to a heel, and continued at work on her and the other two ships all the time they were here. The enemy bargained for a supply of black cattle, at the rate of fifty shillings a head; and M. Flobert gave a draught on the French resident at the Hague for the money. Very luckily for the merchants, they shewed the draught to M. Thurot, who assured them that it was not worth a farthing. He then went with them to M. Flobert, whom he upbraided for the meanness of his conduct, obliging him to pay them down fifty guineas in cash, and to give them a draught for the balance due to them on the King of France's banker at Paris, which he assured them would be duly honoured, and which they afterwards found to be true. Other provisions which they procured, were paid for in ready money. While here, M. Thurot received the mortifying intelligence of M. de Conflans' defeat by Sir Edward Hawke. At first, the French officers would not believe it; but they were soon undeceived; for Mr McDonald having the Scots Magazine in his pocket, in which was an account of the action from the London gazette, they were convinced of its truth, and appeared very much dejected.

Notwithstanding the disagreeable certainty of the defeat of the grand fleet of France, the persevering Thurot resolved steadily to obey his orders, and to show himself worthy of the command to which he had been elevated. The powers with which he was entrusted, appear to have been very ample. A great majority of the French officers were for landing here, and plundering the country. He assured them, if they did, that not a soldier of them should return on board the squadron he commanded; and that he would sail without them. But, lest his threats should not have had due weight with them, he went to his bureau, and took out a paper, which was an order from the King of France, in which he positively commanded, that no molestation should be given to the inhabitants wherever they landed.

On the 19th of February, the enemy sailed from Isla, and next day anchored in Carrickfergus bay, opposite Killrute-point. In the town were four companies of the sixty-second regiment, commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel Jennings: these men

were newly raised, and the companies far from being complete. The French ships were at first taken for a large frigate and two store-ships; but as they were seen to ply frequently from the ships to the shore, with boats full of men, Colonel Jennings sent an officer with a party to reconnoitre them, who soon returned and reported they were enemies. The Colonel directly beat to arms, when the militia as well as regulars assembled. Under escort of the former, he dispatched what French prisoners were at Carrickfergus to Belfast; and took all the precautions in his power to defend the place. M. Thurot landed as many seamen, as, with the soldiers, made up one thousand men. As soon as they had made good their landing, they seized on some horses, which their hussars mounted. M. Flobert with his troops then began his march for the town, from which he was distant about two miles and a half. Colonel Jennings posted his men to defend the gates of the town, to which their hussars now advanced. Unfortunately, our soldiers had but a few rounds of powder and ball. On the first fire, the enemy's advanced parties were checked, and forced to retire to their main body, who now divided, and attacked the North and Scots gates at the same time. Our men behaved with the greatest bravery, and repulsed the enemy; but their ammunition failing, they were forced to retire to the castle, where they defended themselves; and, notwithstanding their ammunition was all expended, they continued to annoy the enemy by throwing down bricks and stones on them as they advanced: but the French bringing up two pieces of cannon, with which they battered the gate of the castle, Colonel Jennings was obliged to capitulate, (See Note 165.), after doing his utmost to defend an old fortress little better than a heap of ruins.

As soon as the enemy were masters of the town of Carrickfergus, their Commanders demanded of the Mayor provisions of all sorts, of which their fleet was in great want, otherwise the town, they said, should be plundered. The Magistrates not being able to comply with this request, they put their threat in execution, and found more provisions than they expected. They likewise made some prizes of vessels coming up the bay for Belfast, particularly two sloops, one laden with flour,

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flour, and the other with herrings. The cargoes they put on board their ships, and then burnt the vessels. This trifling conquest cost the enemy very dear. They had several officers, and about thirty men killed. M. Flobert, with a good many other officers, and upwards of sixty men, being wounded; the former, and some of the men, were obliged to be left behind; for whose safety, M. Thurot took the Mayor and some other gentlemen along with him as hostages. Early on the 26th, they embarked their troops, after spiking up some iron cannon in the castle, and throwing what powder they found there into the sea; and next day set sail, in order to return to France.

This little armament occasioned a great alarm in Ireland. As soon as the account of the enemy's landing reached the Duke of Bedford, (then Lord Lieutenant of the kingdom) at Dublin, orders were given for marching a considerable body of horse and foot against them, under the command of the Earl of Rothes; and all the militia of the county of Antrim were ordered to assemble; so that if the enemy had not made a prudent retreat at the time they did, in a few days they would have found it impossible to have regained their ships. The Duke of Bedford sent expresses to all the principal seaports, to inform the Captains of any of his Majesty's ships who might happen to be there, of the enemy being on the coast. Luckily, at Kinsale, the express found three of his Majesty's frigates, viz. the *Æolus*, *Brilliant*, and *Pallas*, commanded by Captains Elliot, Logie, and Clements.

They lost not a moment, but put to sea instantly, and went in quest of the enemy, whom they found and defeated. The following account of that defeat was transmitted to the Duke of Bedford, a few days afterwards, by Captain Elliot.

"MY LORD,

Æolus, in Ramsay bay, February 29th, 1760.

"I had the honour to write to you the 26th instant, off Dublin, but very incorrectly, and in great haste. As I that minute had information from the fishermen, that the enemy were then at Carrickfergus, I made all the dispatch possible to attack them there, and got off the entrance of the harbour

"bour that evening; but the wind being contrary, and blowing very hard, I could not get in.

"On the 28th, at four in the morning, we got sight of them under sail, and gave chase; about nine, I got along-side their Commodore; and, in a few minutes, the action became general, and continued very briskly for an hour and a half, when they all three struck colours.

"They proved to be the Marshall Belleisle of forty-four guns, and five hundred and forty-five men, M. Thurot, who is killed; the Blonde of thirty-two guns, and four hundred men, M. de Kayce; and the Terpsichore, of twenty-six guns and three hundred men, M. Defraudais, (including troops in this number). I put in here to refit the ships, which are greatly disabled in their masts and rigging; the Marshall Belleisle in particular, who lost her bowsprit, mizen-mast, and main-yard in the action; and it was with much difficulty we kept her from sinking.

"I have acquainted my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty with the particulars by express; and I propose returning to some port in England, as soon as the ships can possibly be repaired. Subjoined is a list of the killed and wounded. And I am,

"My Lord,

"Your Grace's

"Most humble and obedient servant,

"JOHN ELLIOT."

Ships.	Guns.	Men.	Commanders.	Killed.	Wounded.
Æolus,	32	220	John Elliot,	4	15
Pallas	36	240	Michael Clements,	1	5
Brilliant,	36	240	James Logie,	0	11
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				Total,	31

"N. B. I find it impossible to ascertain the number of the enemy killed and wounded; but, from the best accounts I can get, they amount to three hundred."

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Such was the fate of the brave, but unfortunate Thurot. He fought his ship until she had several feet water in her hold, and her decks covered with killed and wounded men. Perceiving all farther resistance vain, he had given orders to strike the colours; but ere this could be put in execution, he was killed. He was generally lamented both by friends and foes; as his behaviour, on all occasions, was replete with honour, humanity, and generosity. These, joined to an undaunted courage, justly rendered him conspicuous; and were the means that raised him to the command of a squadron. In him, France lost one of her best naval officers; who, if he had survived this disaster, might, from his abilities, have proved a formidable enemy to this country.

The behaviour of Captains Elliot, Clements, and Logie, their officers and men, on this occasion, did them great honour; and in such estimation did the people of Ireland regard the important service they had done, that their representative body in Parliament unanimously voted the three Captains their thanks.

The Blonde and Terpsichore were purchased by Government, and added to the Royal Navy, by the same names.

Admiral Boscawen was appointed to command the fleet stationed in Quiberon bay, and on the coast of France, in room of Admiral Hawke. He accordingly hoisted his flag on board the Royal William; and, with the Sandwich, in which was Rear-Admiral Geary, the Ramillies, St George, Princess Amelia, and Orford, sailed from Plymouth, the 5th of February. The wind soon after became contrary; but, anxious to get to his station, he endeavoured to beat down the Channel, and had got nearly abreast of the Land's-end, when a terrible storm came on, by which the Squadron were dispersed, and each ship endeavoured to make for some port in the Channel. Unfortunately, the Ramillies, Captain Wittronge Taylor, instead of standing on for St Helen's, tried to make Plymouth: the weather being hazy, he unluckily overshot the port, and got embayed near the Bolt-head, on the 15th, where he was forced to come to an anchor. He ordered all the masts to be immediately cut away; but such was the fury of the tempest, that the cables either broke, or the anchors came home;

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home; so that the ship drove against the rocks with the greatest violence, and was dashed in pieces. Of her crew, which consisted of seven hundred and fifty men, only a midshipman and twenty-six men were saved. They leaped from the stern of the ship, to a cliff in the rock, from which they were drawn up with ropes by the country people. Many of their companions tried to save their lives in like manner; but not being able to reach the cliff, they were crushed to death between the rock and the ship.

The *Namur* being now repaired, Admiral Boscawen hoisted his flag on board of that ship; and, on the 9th of March, sailed for his command in *Quiberon* bay. (See Note 166.) The Admiral stationed five ships of the line, and two frigates, under the command of Sir John Bentley, off the mouth of the river *Vilaine*, to prevent the enemy's ships there from making their escape. Admiral Boscawen himself lay at anchor with some large ships in *Quiberon* bay; and, as he saw occasion, detached ships to cruise, and to reconnoitre *Basque* road, and the ports of *Brest* and *L'Orient*.

The *Centaur* being on a cruise off *Cape Finisterre*, fell in with the *Vailant* of sixty-four, and the *Amethyste* of thirty-two guns, from the *West Indies*, to which Captain *Forrest* gave chase. The enemy were deceived by the appearance of the *Centaur*, mistaking her for a friend; but she not answering the private signal, and they perceiving her making ready to engage, by clewing up her courses, which discovered her force, made all the sail they were able, and, by altering their course in the night, escaped into the *Groyne*.

The *Niger* of thirty-two guns, Captain *Bentinck*, fell in with the *Diadem* of seventy-four guns, having under her convoy some store-ships for *Martinico*. Captain *Bentinck* kept them company for several days, in hopes of falling in with some of our ships of the line. During which time, he more than once endeavoured to cut off some of the store-ships; but they kept so close to their escort, that they baffled all his efforts. In one of these attempts, his ship was much damaged by some broadsides from the *Diadem*: he was at length obliged to leave them, having, at parting, near six feet water in his hold. When he lost sight of them, he was forced to heel his

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ship, in order to stop the leaks occasioned by the shot he had received from the enemy, under the starboard counter.

The Diadem soon after met with the Shrewsbury, Pallas, and Argo; they immediately gave her chase. The Argo took one of the store-ships, whilst the Pallas was engaging the Diadem, in hope of disabling her in such a manner, as might enable the Shrewsbury to get up with her. In this brave attempt the Pallas was greatly damaged; and having twenty-three men killed and wounded, she was obliged to sheer off. The Shrewsbury, being a heavy failer, could not get up with the enemy. The Diadem, soon after this little brush, fell in with the Royal William, from whom she had a very narrow escape; but got into the Groyne, after a short chase, in which she was visibly losing ground.

These particulars are mentioned, only to point out with what great judgment Admiral Boscawen stationed his cruising ships, inasmuch, that in all the attempts of the French to send any supplies to their colonies, the vessels carrying such supplies had uniformly the fate to fall in with the ships of his squadron.

The enemy having obtained information, that our trading vessels for Oporto and Lisbon, were escorted only by the Jamaica sloop, dispatched the Malicieuse of thirty-six, and L'Opale of thirty-two guns (two of their best frigates) to intercept it. On the 28th of March, they fell in with his Majesty's ship the Penguin, of twenty guns, Captain Harris, which they took; but finding her leaky, they burnt her, and sent the crew to Vigo. They then proceeded on their cruise. All their hopes of enriching themselves by the capture of the Lisbon and Oporto fleets, proved chimerical, owing to the bravery of Captains Skinner and Kennedy, Commanders of his Majesty's ships Flam- borough and Biddeford; who having failed in company on a cruise from Lisbon, on the 18th of March, had the good fortune to fall in with the enemy on the 4th of April; and, not at all discouraged at their visible superiority, immediately gave them chase. The enemy perceiving the smallness of our ships, bore down on them about seven in the evening, when a close and warm action commenced, which was maintained with great briskness until nine o'clock, when the enemy shot ahead. Our people immediately reefed new braces,

and, having repaired their damages in the best manner possible, pursued the enemy, and compelled them to renew the action, which lasted with great fury from half an hour after nine, until near eleven o'clock, when the enemy's fire gradually slackened. At first it was imagined that they were going to strike; but, instead of that, they set all the sail they were able, and made off. Our two ships being greatly damaged in their sails and rigging, were in no condition to follow them, though they endeavoured it all in their power. Finding the pursuit to be in vain, they put into Lisbon to refit. There they found the trade from England arrived, under convoy of the Jamaica sloop; which had a very narrow escape from the enemy, they being so near as to hear the cannonading. The Flamborough had five men killed, among whom was Lieutenant Price of the marines; and ten wounded. The Biddeford had her Captain and eight men killed; and her Lieutenant and twenty-five men wounded, the former of whom mortally: her main-top-mast was shot away, and all her other masts, yards, and rigging, greatly disabled. After the death of Captain Skinner, Lieutenant Knollys fought the ship with great bravery. On his being mortally wounded, Mr Thomas Stacey, the master, took the command, and continued the action, till they obliged the enemy to sheer off.

Captain Hervey of the Dragon, chased a large French ship into a bay near to Port Louis, where she took shelter under a battery; which Captain Hervey soon silenced, and sent his boats to tow off the ship; but finding her aground, they set her on fire, bringing off four small barks, and thirty prisoners.

Admiral Rodney continued extremely active on his station off Havre de Grace. (See Note 166.) The enemy had the temerity to sail from Harfleur, in the month of July, in the middle of the day, with fifteen prames laden with cannon and shot, supposed to be destined for Brest. They made all possible parade; their colours were flying, and the hills on each side of the river Seine, and the walls of Havre de Grace, were covered with spectators, who were astonished that the British squadron made no motion for intercepting them. Admiral Rodney knew perfectly well that his pursuing them would be to no purpose, until the prames had passed the river Orne, as they

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had it in their power to take shelter in several small ports. He did not let them proceed unobserved, but had their motions closely attended to; in the mean time, giving orders to his squadron to be ready, the moment he should make the signal to chase.

When the enemy had got the length of Caen river, they kept standing backwards and forwards on the shoals, by which the Admiral perceived, that they intended to make a push down the channel when it was dark. He therefore gave directions to the small vessels of his squadron, as soon as night came on, to make all possible sail for the mouth of the river Orne, in order to cut off the enemy's retreat; while, with his other ships, he proceeded at the same time (without signal) with the utmost dispatch, for the steep coast of Port Bassin. These measures had all the wished-for success. The enemy's prizes were intercepted off Point Percée, by two of his squadron, disguised like Dutch vessels, which had got to the westward of them; when, perceiving their retreat cut off, five of them run ashore, and were totally destroyed. The other ten, with the greatest difficulty, got into the river Orne. They appeared to be fine vessels, upwards of one hundred feet long, and capable of containing from three to five hundred men. Admiral Rodney's success prevented the enemy from trying such experiments in future; as orders were immediately given to unload more than a hundred prizes which were ready to sail, had the others proved successful; and to send them up to Rouen. The Admiral gave the enemy great annoyance along their coast. He sent three stout cutters to scour the shore towards Dieppe, which effectually destroyed an extensive fishery they had near to that place. They took four fishing vessels, of sixty tons each, having twenty-four men on board; and, at the same time, drove above thirty others ashore.

In the month of August, Sir Edward Hawke (See Note 167.) in the Royal George, relieved Admiral Boscawen in the bay of Quiberon, who returned to England the 1st of September. This was the last service that this gallant seaman rendered to the public, he dying at his seat of Hatchland, near Guildford, in Surry, January 8th, 1761, universally regretted by the British nation.

This officer, whose life had been dedicated to the duties of his profession, possessed, from nature, a warm temper, and a good understanding. His conduct corresponded with the vigour of his mind, marking his friendships and enmities with the force of his character. But his ardour was tempered by humanity, and guided by an affectionate regard for all the individuals intrusted to his management *. To those who were more immediately under his eye, his solicitude extended even to parental care, which was acknowledged by the strongest marks of grief among the seamen of the ship in which he had been embarked, every man feeling the Admiral's death as his own particular misfortune. Such were the peculiar characteristics which distinguished this great officer among the seamen of Britain. But, as the active, the diligent, the intrepid servant of his country, he is exalted by all the talents of a distinguished chief. Consummate skill in his profession; the most scrupulous fidelity which spurns at peculation; unbounded zeal; and the most cool, collected, and persevering courage; are some of the qualities which rendered Admiral Boscawen one of the greatest naval characters which this island ever produced.

Admiral Hawke persevered in the plan of his predecessor in command; and his cruizers were very successful. On the 4th of September, he sent the *Magnanime*, *Prince Frederick*, and *Bedford*, under the command of Lord Viscount Howe, to attack a fort on the island of Dumet, near Quiberon bay. It surrendered very soon after the two last mentioned ships had been placed against it. In the fort were found nine pieces of cannon, eighteen and twelve pounders. The garrison was composed of one company of the regiment of Bourbon, consisting of fifty-five men, of which two were killed, and six wounded in the attack. The only damage sustained by the ships, was a shot through the *Bedford's* mizen-mast. The island is near three miles long, and two broad, and has plenty of fresh water. Its capture proved of great service to the fleet on this station, during the remainder of the war.

* The nation are indebted to Admiral Boscawen, for patronizing and first introducing the celebrated Dr Hales's ventilators in the Navy, and afterwards bringing them into universal use on board of his Majesty's ships, which has proved the fortunate means of preserving the lives of many thousand seamen.

A plan having been concerted for attacking the isles of Bourbon and Mauritius, in the Indian seas, several regiments received orders to hold themselves in readiness for foreign service; and, from the soldiers' clothing being ordered to be lined with unbleached linen, no doubt was entertained, but this was the service for which they were destined. Major-General Kingley was named to command the land forces, and the Honourable Augustus Keppel, the fleet, which was to escort them to their destination. The general rendezvous was appointed to be at the island of Diego Rays. It is certain, that the Admiral commanding his Majesty's fleet in the East Indies, had orders sent him to co-operate in this enterprize, with the greatest part of the naval force under his command. The Ministry judging, that by the time the troops from Europe could possibly reach the French islands, the enemy's marine would be completely driven from every part of Indostan, the same conveyance which carried out the orders to the Admiral in the East Indies, directed him, immediately on his arrival at the island of Diego Rays, to send a vessel to the bay of St Augustin, in the island of Madagascar, where he would find a frigate, with dispatches containing instructions for his future conduct. This plan was afterwards laid aside, for reasons which the public were left to conjecture.

In order to apprise Admiral Cornish in the East Indies, of the enterprize against the French islands being relinquished, the *Terpsichore* frigate, commanded by Sir Thomas Adams, was dispatched to Madagascar, with orders to wait there, till Admiral Cornish sent a ship to receive from him the dispatches with which he was charged. Of all this, the public remained quite ignorant; for, although the original plan of the enterprize was entirely altered, yet, in the month of October, the troops were ordered to assemble in the neighbourhood of Portsmouth, and a number of transports were collected there to receive them. (See Note 167.) But when a regiment of light-dragoons, a battalion of foot-guards, and several other corps of light-infantry, together with a large train of battering-cannon, were ordered to assemble at the same place, the public began to form various conjectures concerning the real destination of this armament. Some politicians would have it to be destined

destined against Ostend, or Antwerp, in order to make a powerful diversion in favour of the operations of the allied army under Prince Ferdinand of Brunswick; others, that it was to join the army under the Hereditary Prince of Brunswick, then acting on the Lower Rhine. But a circumstance happened, which discovered that the enterprize was destined against the island of Belleisle, or some part of the coast of France. Two regiments were to be drawn from Ireland, to join the troops from England, which were now all embarked, and waited only a fair wind to proceed. But the wind which detained those at Spithead, being fair for the regiments at Corke, to sail for the general rendezvous; they accordingly sailed for Quiberon bay, where they waited several weeks, in hopes of being joined by their friends from England. (See Note 167.)

An unexpected event drew the attention of the public from this enterprize for some little time. This was the death of our Sovereign, King George II., who died at his palace of Kensington, between seven and eight o'clock in the morning, on the 27th of October, in the seventy-seventh year of his age, and thirty-third of his reign. The immediate cause of his death was a rupture of the substance of the right ventricle of the heart, by which the circulation was stopped in an instant. We live too near the age in which his Majesty reigned, to be able to draw the character of this Monarch with justness and precision. His reign, until the present war, is not remarkable for any great events. His subjects always enjoyed peace at home, one momentary broil excepted. Whenever the national strength was properly exerted, the kingdom always acquired glory. The last years of his reign were by far the happiest, his Ministers being highly agreeable to the nation at large; actuated as they were by a true love of their country, whose interest and glory was their first consideration. His Majesty lived to see party-rage, which had proved so troublesome to several of his Ministers, in a manner extinguished. The wise and salutary measure of employing the Highland Clans in the service of Government, put a final end to Jacobitism, and gained him their affections, while their actions testified they were sincere. Clemency and kindness can accomplish, what cruelty and force can never obtain. If his Majesty did not possess first-rate abilities, his conduct, on many

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ny trying occasions, showed that his understanding was far from being defective. In his temper he was choleric. He perfectly well understood the interest of all the Princes of Europe; particularly those of the Germanic body, for whose concerns he ever shewed the greatest attention.

It was unfortunate for this country, that his Majesty had attained the prime of life before he came to reside in it. This prevented him from ever attaining such a knowledge of the English language, as to enable him to perceive its beauties, or to become acquainted with the most esteemed works, or the finest writers of the kingdom. Learned men, after the death of his Queen, therefore, did not meet with that encouragement which is due to superior merit. Literature consequently did not flourish so much as might have been expected in the latter part of his reign. The fine arts kept pace with literature. This is supposed to have proceeded from too rigid an œconomy, and is perhaps the greatest blemish in his reign; for, in private life, he was an excellent husband, an affectionate parent, a kind master, and, to those whom he esteemed, a sincere friend. Plain and direct in his intentions; true to his word; steady in his favour and protection to his servants, whom he never changed willingly, especially those near his person: they advanced in years along with him, and many of them died in his service.

In his reign, agriculture increased; trade and manufactures flourished to a great degree; and many wise regulations were made for the prosperity of the kingdom, by Parliament. With regard to the affairs of Government, he was somewhat indifferent as to who might have the management of them; but this only took place from the downfall of his favourite Sir Robert Walpole, who had rendered state matters so easy to his Majesty, that he placed entire confidence in him: yet, as he was necessitated to part with him, he never afterwards shewed the same regard or partiality to any Minister. His Majesty was temperate, and a strict lover of justice. He died universally beloved and regreted by all his subjects. George the Second may not be ranked among Kings who are styled GREAT, by historians; but he possessed a more exalted character, and was truly an HONEST MAN.

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Mr Pitt still continued to direct all public business under his late Majesty's successor; and our warlike preparations suffered no abatement. The troops were all on board for the secret expedition, and moved from Spithead to St Helen's, to be the more ready to embrace the first breeze of fair wind that should offer, and to proceed to their destination. But having long waited for this, Administration thought the season too far advanced for military and naval operations; therefore, on the 13th of December, orders were given for the fleet to return to Spithead, and for the troops to disembark, and go into winter quarters.

The *Acteon*, Captain Paul Henry Ourry, gave chase to, and drove on shore, a privateer of sixteen guns, between Cape Barfleur, and Cape la Hogue, and effectually destroyed her.

The *Niger*, Captain Bentinck, took *L'Epreuve*, a snow sloop of war, belonging to the king of France, of fourteen guns, and one hundred men. She was bought by Government, and added to the Royal Navy.

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Privateers Names.	Number of		Belonging to	By whom taken.	Number of		Commanders Names.	How disposed of.
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Jafon, -	8	52	St Malo.	Niger.	32	220	John Bentinck.	Sold.
Margaret schooner,	8	58	Rochelle.	Orford.	66	520	Richard Spry.	Ditto.
Pallas, -	14	100	Bayonne.	{ Fame.	74	600	Hon. J. Byron.	{ Ditto.
Chevalier de Barro,	20	146	Ditto.	{ Achilles.	60	400	Hon. S. Barrington	{ Ditto.
Phoenix, -	12	120	Morlaix.	{ Repulse.	32	220	J. C. Allen.	{ Ditto.
Grivois, -	10	80	St Malo.	{ Acleon.	28	200	P. H. Ourry.	{ Ditto.
Du Guay Trouin, -	10	52	Ditto.	{ Tweed.	28	200	W. Pafton.	{ Ditto.
Elizabeth, -	6	41	Ditto.	{ Diligence.	10	80	W. Osborn.	{ Ditto.
Favourite, -	6	60	Ditto.	{ Hornet.	12	90	Ja. Johnston.	{ Ditto.
Chevalier d'Arthefay,	8	58	Granville.	{ Thames.	32	220	S. Colby.	{ Ditto.
*Bien Aimé, -	12	113	Dunkirk.	{ Torbay.	74	700	Wm. Brett.	{ Ditto.
D'Igouville, -	14	123	Port L'Orient.	{ Antelope.	50	350	T. Graves.	{ Ditto.
Villegenie, -	12	113	St Malo.	{ Carcase sloop.	8	60	C. Inglis.	{ Ditto.
Mercury, -	10	90	Rochelle.	{ Rainbow.	44	240	Chr. Basslet.	{ Ditto.
Victor, -	24	220	St Malo.	{ Thetis.	32	220	J. Moutray.	{ Ditto.
Revenge cutter,	8	44	Dunkirk.	{ Arethufa.	32	220	Hon. Raby Vane.	{ Ditto.
Duc d'Ayen, -	8	65	Ditto.	{ Hazard.	8	60	S. C. Goodal.	{ Ditto.
Comte de Guiche,	8	54	Bayonne.	{ Flamborough.	28	200	A. Kennedy.	{ Ditto.
Comtesse d'Ayen, -	8	62	Dunkirk.	{ Alarm cutter.	8	40	Lr. Anningfon.	{ Ditto.

* She had a ranfomer on board for two thoufand three hundred pounds.

In the course of this year, the Navy sustained no loss by the enemy, except the *Penguin* of twenty guns, and the *Virgin* sloop. But that which it sustained by accident was very considerable, viz. the *Ramillies* of ninety guns, and the greatest part of her crew, on the *Bolthead*. The *Conqueror*, of seventy guns, on *St Nicholas's* island, near *Plymouth*. The *Cumberland* of sixty-six guns, but carrying only fifty-eight: she was an old ship, but had been repaired at *Bombay*: she sunk near *Goa*, in the *East Indies*: the crew were saved. The *Harwich*, of fifty guns, wrecked on the *Collorodoes*, at the west end of the island of *Cuba*. The *Griffin*, of twenty-eight guns, wrecked on the island of *Barbuda*, and fifty of her crew drowned. The *Lyme*, of twenty-eight guns, wrecked in the *Catagate*, and thirty of her crew drowned. The *Lowestoffe*, of twenty-eight, and the *Eurus* of twenty guns, wrecked in the river *St Lawrence*; and the *Mermaid*, of twenty-four guns, wrecked on a key near the *Bahama* islands: the crews of the three last saved.

The enemy's trade being in a great measure annihilated, the captures made this year were consequently few. They amounted to only one hundred and ten vessels. On the contrary, our trade flourished in every part of the globe; and the enemy having swarms of small privateers at sea, captured no less than three hundred and thirty of our ships; few of which, however, were of any considerable value. Six Royal ships being taken by the British, nearly balanced accounts with the enemy. It is to be lamented, that some of their privateers exercised horrid barbarities on their prisoners, being the crews of such ships as had presumed to make resistance, and who were afterwards obliged to submit: Conduct that would have disgraced the most infamous pirate; and it would have redounded much to the credit of the Court of France, to have made public examples of those who had behaved in this manner. I am afraid, likewise, that there was but too much reason for complaint of ill treatment to the British subjects, even after they were landed in France, and sent to prison. Of this, indeed, several affidavits were made by the sufferers when they returned to England. On the contrary, the conduct of Great Britain was a striking example of their kindness and humanity to such unfortunate persons as were made prisoners of war. The
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prisons were situated in wholesome places, and subject to public inspection; and the prisoners had every favour shown to them that prudence would admit of. From the greatness of their numbers, it is true, they frequently remained long in confinement before they could be exchanged, in terms of the cartel; by which their clothes were reduced to a very bad state, many of them indeed almost naked, and suffering much from the inclemency of the weather. No sooner, however, was their miserable situation in this respect made known, than subscriptions for their relief were opened at several of the principal banking-houses in London, by which very great sums were procured, and immediately applied in purchasing necessaries for those who stood in the greatest need of them.

The bad state of the finances of France, did not permit that kingdom to continue the allowance they formerly granted for the maintenance of their subjects who might become prisoners of war; but the nation, who had acquired so much glory in overcoming them, had also the generosity to maintain such of these unfortunate men as were in her power, at the public expence.

We shall conclude the account of the transactions of this year, with the following instance of generosity in the British nation to a set of unfortunate people, the conduct of whose prince had set a very different example. On the 28th of August, an Algerine xebeque of twenty guns, and full of men, was drove ashore and wrecked in Mount's bay, near Penzance, in the county of Cornwall; about one hundred and fifty of the crew got ashore, which greatly alarmed the country people. They had been forty-four days from Algiers, and had been on a cruize off Cape Finisterre. No sooner was their case made known, than his Majesty ordered a house to be provided for them to lodge in, and all possible care was taken to supply them with provisions. They were embarked on board of a transport, and, under convoy of a ship of war, sent home without any charge, or without any ransom being exacted from them.

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THE affairs of this year differ very much in their nature from any we have yet related; and the political transactions become so blended with the naval and military, that it is impossible to separate them; the former of which are indeed so very important and interesting, that without some knowledge of them, these Memoirs would appear defective. A negotiation to bring about a peace between Great Britain and France, the terms prescribed, the cause of its failure, the resignation of the Minister when in the plenitude of power, and a declaration of war against Spain, are the topics to which we allude.

The secret expedition which had so long exercised the thoughts of politicians, was not relinquished, but postponed, until the season of the year became more suited to naval and military operations. The command of the land-forces was now bestowed on Major-General Studholm Hodgson; and that of the squadron which was to co-operate with them, on Commodore Keppel, who likewise was appointed to command all his Majesty's ships stationed from Ushant to Cape Finisterre. Soon after the French ships had made their escape out of the river Vilaine, Sir Edward Hawke, and the greatest part of his squadron, returned to England.

The commanding officers of his Majesty's ships on the different stations abroad, were, in the Mediterranean, Vice-Admiral Saunders; in North America, Lord Colvill; at Jamaica, Rear-Admiral Holmes; at the Leeward Islands, Commodore Sir James Douglas, until the close of the year, when Rear-Admiral Rodney was sent out; in the East Indies, Rear-Admiral Stevens, after whose death, the command devolved on Rear-Admiral Cornish. At home, Vice-Admiral Holburne commanded at Portsmouth; Sir Piercy Brett, in the Downs; Commodore Keppel to the westward; and Commodore Swanton in the Channel.

The sums granted by Parliament in the course of this session, were liberal beyond example. Seventy thousand seamen, including eighteen thousand three hundred and fifty-five marines, were voted for the service of the current year. The grants for the navy alone, amounted to upwards of seven millions. Two hundred thousand pounds were granted to make

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proper compensation to the respective provinces in North America, for the expences incurred by them in levying, clothing, and paying of the troops raised by them, according to the active vigour and strenuous efforts of the respective provinces. In short, the sum total voted this year amounted to 18,816,119*l.* 19*s.* 9½*d.*, exclusive (See Note 168.) of the 800,000*l.* for his Majesty's civil list, which is voted for the term of the King's life. His Royal Highness Edward Duke of York, was, by his Majesty's command, promoted to be Rear-Admiral of the Blue; and on the 30th of July, his Majesty was pleased to promote George Lord Anson, to be Admiral and Commander in Chief of the fleet.

Soon after the King's accession to the throne, it was perceived, that others beside those in Administration had a considerable influence, and that the stream of Royal favour began to flow into more channels than formerly. The Cabinet became divided; which proved the source of a political ferment that lasted for several years, and in which the violence of party-rage was carried to a greater height than the annals of Great Britain afford any precedent of.

Whether it was, that Mr Pitt thought himself highly obliged to the late Prince of Wales, his Majesty's father, or that he deemed it expedient to introduce a person into the Administration, to whose judgment he knew that his Majesty paid great deference, and who was much in his confidence, John Earl of Bute was, March 25th, appointed Secretary of State for the northern department. It is a certain fact, that no Minister ever possessed so completely the good opinion of the nation at large, as Mr Pitt did. The unparalleled successes which had attended our army during his Administration, no doubt, contributed very much to this. Yet the expence of the Continental war was so prodigious, and proved such a clog on all our other operations, that the nation began to weary, and wished to get handsomely rid of it, foreseeing that many of our valuable conquests must be relinquished on a peace, by way of compensation, and in order to obtain better terms for the King of Prussia, and our German allies.

The great load of debt in which the nation was plunged, and to which we were yearly adding, together with the ruined state of the French finances, made a peace equally necessary for both nations. As the Duc de Choiseul, the King of France's Prime Minister, had signified his Master's desire for

peace ; in the month of May, Hans Stanley, Esq; was appointed Envoy Extraordinary to the Court of Versailles, and M. Bussy came in the same character to that of London. A negotiation was then begun, in which, from the concessions agreed to be made by the Court of France, and the professions made by M. Bussy at the commencement of it, there was every reason to believe they were sincere, and that this salutary measure would be attended with success.

The Belligerent powers had come to a resolution to hold a general congress at Augsburg, in August, to adjust their respective claims, and restore peace. But it appears to have been the full intention of the Court of Great Britain, to have all the articles of the peace then negotiating with France, fully settled before this congress met. In the beginning of this treaty it was proposed, that each party should remain in possession of what they had conquered from each other ; and the respective states in which they should happen to be in the different parts of the globe, at the periods stipulated by the treaty, were to serve as the basis on which they were to proceed.

By this treaty of *uti possidetis*, it was evident, that if it was strictly adhered to, Great Britain would have greatly the advantage of France. The former did not, however, propose to retain all the conquests she had made, but to yield up some of them, for which, no doubt, an equivalent was expected. The first difficulty that arose, was in fixing the proper epochas when hostilities should cease in the different parts of the world. Mr Secretary Pitt insisted that the only one his Court would admit of, was the day the treaty should be signed. To this the French Minister made a calm, but shrewd reply. The British Minister at last relinquished this point ; and the French named the following epochas for the situation that the respective Crowns should be in at the periods mentioned for putting an end to the war on the terms of *uti possidetis*, viz. the 1st day of September 1761 in the East Indies ; the 1st day of July the same year in the West Indies, and in Africa ; and the 1st day of May in Europe. This scheme was rejected by the British Court, on the pretence that the epochas were too near.

It must be observed, that, at this time, great hopes were entertained of humbling the French still more. Belleisle was just going

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going to be attacked, and Prince Ferdinand of Brunswick was making considerable progress in Hesse, against the French army under M. de Broglie.

Soon after accounts arrived of the island of Belleisle being taken, Mr Pitt delivered (June 17th) a rescript to M. Bussy, in which he declared, "That before he would agree to treat definitively upon any point, and particularly upon the epochas, he insisted upon two preliminary conditions: 1st, That every thing which should be happily adjusted between the two Crowns, in relation to their particular war, should be made obligatory, final, and conclusive, independent of the fate of the negociation at Augsburg. 2d, That the definitive treaty of peace between Great Britain and France, or preliminary articles to that end, should be signed and ratified between the date of this rescript, (June 17th) and the 1st day of August following. If these conditions were accepted, then Great Britain agreed to name, on her part, determinate epochas to which the *uti possidetis* should refer, viz. the 1st of July for Europe, the 1st of September for America and Africa, and the 1st of November for the East Indies."

While the British were battering the walls of the citadel of Palais, the Court of Versailles was busily employed in obtaining two very important points, which the necessities of the kingdom made them extremely urgent for; the first of which was, to bring the Court of Vienna to consent to their making a separate peace with Great Britain. This request was granted, with the following restrictions, viz. That nothing might be stipulated to the prejudice of the House of Austria: the second was, to endeavour to bring the Court of Madrid not only to support France with money to carry on the war, but to get Spain to take a part in it, in case the negociation with Great Britain for peace should break off. In both of these, they were successful.

The French Minister now agreeing to proceed on Mr Pitt's terms; on the 15th of July M. Bussy gave in a memorial to the British Minister, in which he proposed, that all Canada, together with Cape Breton and the island of St John's, should be ceded and guaranteed to Great Britain; and that the fortifications of Dunkirk should be demolished. In return for which, France claimed a confirmation of her right

right to fish on the coasts of Newfoundland, agreeable to the stipulations of the treaty of Utrecht; the island of Minorca to be restored for the islands of Guadaloupe and Marigalante; the four neutral islands in the West Indies to be thus divided, viz. Tobago to belong to Great Britain, St Lucia to France, and Dominica and St Vincent's to the native Caribs, under the protection of France. Either Senegal or Gorée in Africa to be restored to France, also the island of Belleisle; for which Gottingen, Hesse, and Hanau were to be evacuated, and the French army in Germany to be drawn off to the Maine and the Rhine.

In the East Indies, the French had nothing to offer by way of equivalent; but they endeavoured, with much art, and a great deal of speciousness, to point out the true interest of the respective East India Companies of each nation, proposing that matters in this country should be settled by a treaty negotiated by the two Companies themselves. France endeavoured to make the most of her conquests in Westphalia, with which she wanted to make compensation for her losses in other parts of the globe. The British Minister, at the very beginning of this treaty, declared, with a firmness peculiar to him, that he would support the King of Prussia to the utmost. In return for this, the French Ministry declared, that they thought themselves equally bound to support the Empress Queen. But, in order to obviate these difficulties, a scheme was proposed by France, which had a very fair appearance. It stated, that as the maintaining of armies in Germany was attended with great expence to both nations, if his Britannic Majesty would recal the British forces from Germany, the King of France would recal double the number of his national troops from his armies on the Upper and Lower Rhine to France; and that no French troops should remain in Germany, but in proportion to those kept in the pay of his Britannic Majesty. The French concluded with an article, from which, they said, they would not recede. This was, a restitution of the captures made by Great Britain before the declaration of war. This demand they founded on the law of nations, and the most express stipulation of treaties: at the same time they obstinately refused to deliver up Gueldres and Cleves, which they had conquered from the

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King of Prussia. Along with this memorial, containing the concessions which France was willing to make to obtain peace, M. Bussy, by the desire of the King of Spain, presented a private memorial. It proposed, in order to establish a peace upon solid foundations, not to be shaken by the contested interests of a third power, that his Catholic Majesty might be invited to guarantee the treaty between the two Crowns. It farther proposed, with the consent and communication of his Catholic Majesty, the setting of the three points then in dispute between Great Britain and Spain, and which might produce a new war in Europe or America; namely, the restitution of some ships taken in the course of the present war, under Spanish colours; the liberty claimed by the Spanish nation to fish on the banks of Newfoundland; and the demolition of certain settlements, made contrary to treaty by the British log-wood cutters in the Bay of Honduras.

This memorial, offered by an enemy nearly brought at our feet, met with the reception it justly merited from the British Minister, who, with a proper indignation, and in a manner of which only he himself was capable, returned it to M. Bussy, as containing matters wholly inadmissible; at the same time, assuring him, that his Britannic Majesty would not suffer France, in any manner whatever, to interfere in his disputes with Spain, nor permit a word of them to be mentioned in the present negociation for peace; and that it would be considered as an affront, and a thing incompatible with the sincerity of the negociation on the part of France, to make any farther mention of such a circumstance. Nor did Mr Pitt stop here; he immediately suspected that the Court of Versailles had obtained a promise of assistance from that of Madrid, and which had made the French so daring. He therefore required of the Spanish Minister to disavow the propositions which had been said to be made with the knowledge of his Court; expressing his astonishment at seeing a proposal for accommodating disputes between friends, coming through the medium of an enemy; and at finding points of so much consequence offered for deliberation by a French Envoy, when his Catholic Majesty had an Ambassador residing in London, from whom no in-

timation of such business had been received. Mr Pitt, in the course of the negociation, let M. Bussy know, that he would not relax in his demands, saying, "that it would be time enough to treat on those matters when the Tower of London was taken sword-in-hand." An expression which was faithfully transmitted to his Catholic Majesty at Madrid, and which the French afterwards endeavoured to make use of, in order to induce Spain to take a part in the war with them; as, from the haughtiness of the British Minister, the negotiations for peace were likely to break off. Notwithstanding the terms of strict friendship that subsisted between the Courts of Versailles and Madrid, peace was become so very requisite for the former, that, in order to obtain it, they would have condescended to have made an apology for having presumed to interfere in our disputes with Spain. But the answer that was transmitted to Mr Pitt from the Spanish Ambassador, put the intentions of his Court beyond a doubt, in case the negotiations for peace should prove unsuccessful. He avowed and justified the step taken by M. Bussy, as coinciding entirely with the sentiments of the King his Master; and declared, that the Kings of France and Spain were united not only by ties of blood, but by those of mutual interest; that his Most Christian Majesty could not be too highly commended in endeavouring to render the peace as secure and permanent as the vicissitude of human transactions would allow; and he added, very haughtily, that if governed by any other principles, his Catholic Majesty, consulting only his greatness, would have spoken from himself, and as became his dignity.

Mr Pitt had too much discernment not to perceive what all this must terminate in. From the understanding that now subsisted between the two principal branches of the House of Bourbon, he judged, that if France did not obtain favourable terms of peace from Great Britain, the latter would soon have both to contend with. On this occasion, he acted with a dignity becoming the Minister of a great and a free people. He shewed himself no way ambitious of seeking a war, yet not afraid of engaging in it. But, that the nation might not be precipitately plunged into a rupture with Spain, the Earl of Bristol, the British Ambassador at Madrid, was instructed to remonstrate, with energy and firmness,

on the daring interposition of that court, in the negociation between France and Great Britain, and to demand a declaration of the final intentions of Spain; to persevere in the negative put upon the Spanish pretensions to fish upon the Banks of Newfoundland; to rest the article of disputed captures on the justice of the English tribunals; to continue the former professions of his Court, indicating a desire of an amicable adjustment of the logwood dispute, and the willingness of his Britannic Majesty to cause the settlements on the coast of Honduras to be evacuated, as soon as his Catholic Majesty should suggest another method by which the subjects of Britain could enjoy that traffic, to which they had a right by treaty, and which the Court of Madrid had farther confirmed to them by repeated promises.

The Earl of Bristol lost no time in complying with his instructions. He had a conference with Mr Wall, the Spanish prime Minister, who greatly applauded the magnanimity of the King of Great Britain, in not permitting France to intermeddle in his disputes with Spain. The Court of Madrid, he said, had certainly consented that France should make the proposition; but declared, that things had not been regarded in the same point of view by them, as the Court of London had viewed them. He, at the same time, asked the Ambassador, Whether it could be imagined in England, that the Catholic King was seeking to provoke Great Britain to war in her most flourishing and exalted condition, and after such a series of prosperous events, as never perhaps occurred in the annals of any other kingdom? But he refused to give up any of the three points in dispute; owning, that the most perfect harmony subsisted between the Courts of France and Spain; that, in consequence of that harmony, the Most Christian King had offered to assist his Catholic Majesty, in case the dispute with Great Britain and Spain should terminate in a rupture; and that this offer had been considered in a friendly light.

When the Earl of Bristol transmitted an account of his conference with the Spanish Minister, Mr Pitt saw at once the part that Spain intended to take; and his conduct on this occasion was so truly great and noble, that, if he had performed no other service to his country, this alone ought to have en-

deared him to the whole nation. A Council was immediately held, where he delivered the sentiments of a British patriot, replete with the love of his country, and anxious for her glory and prosperity. The evasions of the Court of Spain, he said, we ought to consider as a refusal of satisfaction; and that refusal, as a declaration of war. We ought, from prudence, as well as spirit, to secure to ourselves the first blow. If any war could provide its own resources, it was a war with Spain. Her supplies lay at a distance, and, as we were already masters of the sea, these might easily be intercepted, or cut off. Her fleet, or American plate fleet, on which she had great dependence, was not yet arrived; and the taking of it would at once strengthen ourselves, and disable her. Such a bold, but necessary step, would be a lesson to his Catholic Majesty, and to all Europe, how dangerous it was to presume to dictate in the affairs of Great Britain; and that Spain deserved this chastisement, as much from what she had already done, as from what she intended (See Note 169.) against the British nation.

The dignity and soundness of this reasoning was not to be confuted. The Council was composed of men of very great abilities, several of whom had advised like measures, with regard to France, before war had been formally declared against that Power, as those which the Minister now urged should be taken against Spain; yet, a great majority of them chose to differ in sentiment from him. The measures he recommended, they considered as violent, and contrary to the laws of nations. They agreed, that we ought not to be intimidated, by the threats of any power, from asserting our just demands; but that it was impolitic to add war to war, and enemy to enemy, when the springs of Government were already overstrained, and to engage in what we had not strength to support. Upon just provocation, they added, it would be cowardice to shun a war; but to court and find pretexts for one, would be madness. If Spain should be gained over by France, and take a decisive part in the war against Great Britain, it would then be time enough to declare war; and then all Europe would be convinced that we acted with coolness and resolution. The whole kingdom would then see that we were forced, from unavoidable necessity, to adopt this measure, and would cheerfully

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agree to support an Administration which had acted with moderation and firmness, but who was averse to lavish away the public treasure wantonly, or employ it in prosecuting an unjust war.

The reasons they assigned, were not considered by a number of people as the real motives by which they were actuated on this occasion; and some went so far as to say, that they were, in fact, tired of his superiority, knowing, that while Mr Pitt continued in the Cabinet, he would be regarded as the principal person in Administration, not only by the nation, but by all the world. The Minister was not to be persuaded, by these specious arguments, to alter his opinion. He had been able to dive into some of the most secret measures of the Courts of France and Spain; and to learn, that the Sovereigns of the House of Bourbon had signed a Family Compact *, which was founded on principles most hostile to the liberties of Europe, and particularly levelled against the prosperity of Great Britain. Had Spain been chargeable with no other unfriendly designs against this country, this alone was quite sufficient to have roused the indignation of such a Minister; and, regarding the opinions he had heard delivered, as timid, short-sighted, and narrow-minded, he exclaimed with great warmth, "This is now the time for humbling the whole House of Bourbon! and if the glorious opportunity is let slip, we shall in vain look for another. Their united power, if suffered to gather strength, will baffle our most vigorous efforts, and possibly plunge us in the gulph of ruin. We must not allow them a moment to breathe: self-preservation bids us crush them, before they can combine or recollect themselves."

The Secretary, perceiving that the majority of the Council were not likely to be brought over to his opinion, unfortunately declared, that unless he could carry so salutary a measure, this was the last time he should sit at that Board. For, added he, "I was called to the Administration of public affairs by the voice of the people; to them I have always considered myself as accountable for my conduct; and therefore cannot remain

* Mr Pitt is supposed to have obtained certain intelligence of the signing of this treaty, from George Keith, Earl Marischall, the Prussian Ambassador at Madrid.

"remain in a situation, which makes me responsible for measures I am no longer allowed to guide."

This last resolution of Mr Pitt's, did not induce them to change their opinions; nor did they seem to regret, that, from their obstinacy, the Crown was likely to lose the assistance of so valuable a servant. They persevered in opposing the Secretary; for, on a division, only he and his brother-in-law, Earl Temple, were for an immediate declaration of war against Spain. Since this event happened, there has elapsed time sufficient for viewing with exactness, and determining on the motives which induced the majority of the Council to deviate in opinion on so important a point, from Mr Pitt. They knew while he continued in Administration, that their political consequence would be very inconsiderable; and that the nation looked up to him alone as their guardian angel. He had indeed rescued them from despondency. Without the aid of foreign mercenaries, he had restored the nation to its wonted vigour; and, by properly exerting our natural strength, had laid an insolent foe prostrate at her feet.

A Minister must have been more or less than man, that did not feel an honest pride, in having met such support, for saving the vessel of the State when in the greatest danger, and conducting her to a sea of glory and renown; and, conscious of his own integrity and disinterestedness, Mr Pitt could but ill brook, on this occasion, to be thwarted in his endeavours, when steering the vessel clear of a shoal, of which the crew were ignorant. His warm temper was well known to his enemies: of this they availed themselves, and adopted measures which they were sure would rid them of one, whose resplendent qualities as a Minister, had frequently rendered them, like the satellites of Jupiter, scarcely visible without the help of a telescope. He resigned the seals into his Majesty's hand, on the 5th of October, and the King accepted them. He was offered any honours in the power of the Crown to bestow; but these he declined. His lady was created Baroness Chatham; and a pension of 3000 l. a year was settled on their joint lives, and the life of their son John Pitt: for this virtuous man was far from rich.

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No change in any Administration ever excited so much alarm, or gave more real concern to the nation, than this of Mr Pitt's. It was felt like a great national calamity; and every one dreaded, that, from the want of his all-inspiring genius to direct the Councils of the nation, their interest would be sacrificed to patch up an inglorious peace with one nation, in order to avoid going to war with another, which well deserved to feel the resentment of Great Britain.

The news of Mr Pitt's resignation was received in France and Spain, especially the former, with every demonstration of joy; as they then indulged the hope, that we had not a man of equal abilities for his successor, throughout the kingdom. The French now boasted of the Family Compact, or treaty, they had brought about; which was not only to retrieve their affairs, but to humble the pride of Great Britain. The Earl of Egremont was appointed successor to Mr Pitt, as Secretary of State, but did not take the lead which that gentleman had done. He was, however, a man of very considerable abilities; and, sensible that the surest means to regain the confidence of the nation, was to proceed with spirit in regard to Spain, he, with the consent of the rest of the Cabinet, instructed the Earl of Bristol to act with firmness, and to require from the Court of Madrid, an account of the purport of this much boasted treaty. To this, a very evasive answer was given by Mr Wall, viz. that the King, his Master, had thought it proper and expedient to renew his Family Compact with the Most Christian King. An account of this very extraordinary combination, the reader will find in the Appendix, (See Note 170.) But it may be necessary to state in this place, the manner in which France brought Spain to sign this treaty, and to become a party in a war which had almost ruined the former.

From the death of the peace-loving Ferdinand VI. who breathed his last, the 10th of August 1759, France had redoubled her efforts with his successor, Don Carlos III. King of the Two Sicilies. It had been stipulated by an article in the treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle, in the event of Don Carlos succeeding to the throne of Spain, on the death of his brother Ferdinand, that Don Philip, Duke of Parma, should succeed to the throne of the Two Sicilies; and that the Dutchies of Parma, Placentia,

Placentia, and Guastalla, should revert to the House of Austria, while certain districts should be assigned to his Sardinian Majesty. To this treaty Don Carlos never acceded; and when he became King of Spain, he altered the destination entirely. His eldest son being declared incapable of inheriting, from an invincible weakness of understanding, he therefore placed his third son, Don Ferdinand, on the Sicilian throne: the second he declared Prince of Asturias, and his own immediate successor. With these regulations, his brother, Don Philip Duke of Parma, acquiesced; and the Court of Vienna, who were by far the greatest losers by it, was brought over to consent to it, through the mediation of France. The King of Sardinia, being brother-in-law to Don Carlos and Don Philip, received, by way of compensation, a sum of money.

This good action done by France, was ever considered by the King of Spain as a service of the highest importance; and as his Catholic Majesty may be compared to a citadel in which there are many weak places, the French Minister assailed him like an accomplished General, and made his approaches only where he was likely to carry his point. The ties of blood had a considerable weight with Charles III.; and this appeared in several acts of partiality to the Court of France. He was, at the same time, as liberal of his professions of friendship to Great Britain, as his brother Ferdinand had been, but with much less sincerity; for, the French Minister knew very well that the British nation were no favourites with him. He never forgot the disagreeable visit he received from a British squadron under the command of Commodore Martin, at Naples, in the year 1742, by whom he was compelled to withdraw his troops from the aid of the Spanish army, and to sign a neutrality much against his inclination. To see the elder branch of his family humbled by a power to whom he had an aversion, was a circumstance he could not behold with indifference; especially as France had proffered Spain all the aid in her power, should her dispute with Great Britain end in a rupture. As a strong proof of his friendship for France, he consented that M. Buffon, her Envoy at the Court of London, should make the propositions he had done, relative to the disputes subsisting between Great Britain and Spain. But, what excited his jealousy the

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most, had by far the greatest weight with him, and brought him sooner into the war, was the rapid progress of the British troops in America; whence, if the French should be driven by force of arms, it was insinuated, that his own dominions in that country were too tempting an object for the British to withstand, especially as their affairs were directed by a proud and aspiring Minister, while no European Power, who had any territory in America, remained to aid Spain, and cast the balance in her favour. One thing more was conclusive, which was, that the arrogance of the British Minister had increased towards France, since the King of Spain's friendship for her was publicly made known; and that the negotiations for peace were, in a great measure, at an end. All these considerations had due weight with the King of Spain, and induced him to sign the Family Compact, on the 15th of August.

The reply given by M. Wall to the Earl of Bristol, concerning this treaty, and transmitted to the British Ministry, was far from being satisfactory. The Ambassador was therefore directed to demand a categorical answer on this subject. This completely did the business; as the fleet being arrived, Spain had no occasion to wear the mask any longer. The Earl of Bristol, in this important business, displayed great abilities and address. Finding he could not draw any satisfactory answer from the Spanish Minister, he was necessitated to come to the point; and informed him, that the British Court expected a categorical answer to the following questions: Whether the Catholic King intended to join the French, our enemies, or purposed to act hostilely? or, Whether he would, in any manner, depart from his neutrality? adding, that Spain's refusal to give this satisfaction, would be deemed an aggression, and a declaration of war. This conference was held on the 8th of December. M. Wall seemed very much surprized at this declaration; and in return only said, "What is to follow? you have then orders to withdraw from hence?" Which the Earl of Bristol answering in the affirmative; M. Wall then requested that the demand might be put into writing, which was complied with. It was the 10th, before any answer was sent to the British Ambassador; when he received a letter from M. Wall, to the following purport: "That the spirit of haughtiness and of discord, which dictated this inconsiderate

“step, and which, for the misfortune of mankind, still reigns
 “so much in the British Government, is what constituted, in
 “the same instant, the declaration of war, and attacked the
 “King’s dignity. Your Excellency may think of retiring
 “when, and in the manner most convenient for you; which
 “is the only answer that, without detaining you, his Majesty
 “has ordered me to give you.” Although much indisposed,
 the Earl of Bristol determined to quit Madrid as soon as possible, and return by way of Lisbon. He applied for an order for post-horses to carry him and his retinue to the frontiers of Portugal; but that was refused him, until he had reached the city of Badajox.

The Earl of Bristol found it extremely difficult to get information of the rupture between the two Crowns conveyed to Vice-Admiral Saunders, and General Parslow, at Gibraltar, as his house was surrounded with spies: but he at last effected it. He also sent a domestic, with a letter to the British Consul at Lisbon, desiring him to detain any British ship of war that might be then at that port, to carry home his next dispatches; but to send such letters as the servant brought, immediately to England by the packet. The servant brought with him a copy of the King of Spain’s orders to seize all the British ships in his ports; which most effectually announced that a rupture had taken place between the two Crowns. This important intelligence, Captain George Johnstone, being then at Lisbon, got conveyed with the greatest dispatch to Admiral Rodney, at the Leeward Islands.

Immediately upon the commencement of hostilities between the two Crowns, the King of Spain ordered all the British ships in his ports to be seized, and confiscated the goods belonging to the merchants. How much more noble was the conduct of the King of Great Britain! who, scorning to distress individuals who had entered his ports on the good faith of the continuance of peace, ordered that such Spaniards as came under that description, should remain unmolested in their persons and effects; and that their merchant-ships should be permitted to depart in safety. War was solemnly proclaimed against Spain, at London, on the 4th of January 1762; and the Spaniards did the same against Great Britain, at Madrid, on the 18th of the same month.

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The Conde de Fuentes, the Spanish Ambassador, when he left London, met with no obstruction or refusal to obtain post-horses; and, as soon as he arrived at Dover, embarked for Calais. Before his departure from London, he delivered a paper, in the form of a manifesto, to the Earl of Egremont, full of reflections on the British Government, and the treatment they had given Spain; saying, that had they set about the business with propriety, all their demands might have been answered in a friendly manner, and the horrors of war, into which the two nations were going to plunge themselves, have been avoided: and concluded with giving a sort of explanation of the Family Compact. This paper, (See Note 171.) together with the answer made to it by the Earl of Egremont, the reader will find in the Appendix, (See Note 172.) And as the correspondence between his Majesty's Ministers, and the Earl of Bristol, relative to the rupture with Spain, was made public, the most material parts of it may likewise be found in the Appendix. (See Note 173.)

The combined Courts, sensible of how much advantage the ports of the kingdom of Portugal were to the British cruizers during a war against Spain, resolved to invite his Portuguese Majesty to join them in the war against Great Britain. They endeavoured to convince him, that England had behaved with great tyranny to Portugal; and doubted not but he would comply with their wishes; which if he did, they had a body of forces ready on his frontiers, to march and garrison all his principal fortresses, to prevent the British from entering his ports. They allowed his Majesty but four days to give a categorical answer to their friendly proffers. His Portuguese Majesty behaved with great firmness; and although his kingdom had suffered from violent earthquakes, and was convulsed by domestic conspiracies, yet he determined not to forsake his old friends. The consequence was, that their respective Ambassadors left the Court of Lisbon; and the confederated Courts formally declared war against his Portuguese Majesty, on the most frivolous pretexts that ever were urged for such a measure. His Britannic Majesty being resolved to give his Most Faithful Majesty all the support in his power, a considerable fleet, and near ten thousand land forces, were immediately sent him, (See Note 174.) besides a great number of sea and land

officers, to serve in his navy and army. These, joined with the Portuguese troops, foiled all the efforts of the Spanish and French forces to obtain possession of Portugal.

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IMMEDIATELY after the taking of Pondicherry, four sail of the line were detached under the command of Rear-Admiral Cornish, with a body of troops under Major Hector (now Sir Hector) Monro, in order to reduce Mahé, on the Malabar coast; the only settlement that remained in the possession of the French on the peninsula of Indostan. When off that place, they were joined by Thomas Hodgès, Esq; Commander at Tillichery, to whom, and the above officers, M. Louet surrendered Mahé on the 10th of February.

In the month of April, the service received a severe blow by the death of Rear-Admiral Stevens, a brave and an excellent officer, who had frequently distinguished himself in the service of his country. He fell a victim to the unhealthiness of the climate, and was succeeded in the command of the squadron by Rear-Admiral Cornish, who, in consequence of orders from England, repaired with the fleet to Bombay, to put it in the best condition possible for sea. The ships on this station were now considerably diminished in numbers. (See Note 175.) The Cumberland sunk off Goa; but the crew were saved: and the Tyger and Salisbury were condemned, as unfit for service.

In consequence of a design to attack the islands of Bourbon and Mauritius, a body of troops had been embarked at Portsmouth, under Major General Kingsley, who were to be escorted to their destination by a squadron of men of war, commanded by Commodore Keppel. The Commander in Chief of his Majesty's fleet in the East Indies had orders to repair to the island of Diego Rays, this island being appointed the general rendezvous, with the greatest part of the squadron under his command, in order to join Commodore Keppel there, and immediately on his arrival, to detach two ships to the bay of St Augustine, in the island of Madagascar, where he would find a frigate with dispatches for him. As soon as the Elizabeth, America, Falmouth, Chatham, and Seaford, together with the Alderney sloop, were ready, he dispatched them under the com-

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mand of Commodore Tiddeman. They got off the island Diego Rays the 14th of September, and were joined, in the end of October, by Rear-Admiral Cornish in the Norfolk, having with him the Grafton, Weymouth, and York, and the Company's frigate, *Revenge*: the strength of the squadron was farther increased by the arrival of the *Lenox* and *South-Sea-Castle*, on the 10th of November.

As soon as it was determined to relinquish the design against the islands of Mauritius and Bourbon, the *Terpsichore* of twenty-six guns, commanded by Sir Thomas Adams *, was sent out with dispatches to Admiral Cornish in the greatest haste, to inform him of it. His orders were, to proceed to the bay of St Augustine in the island of Madagascar, and wait there until the Admiral should send a ship to receive the dispatches with which he was charged. As soon as Admiral Cornish got to the rendezvous, he sent Commodore Tiddeman in the *Elizabeth*, accompanied by another ship, to look into the bay of St Augustine, and bring him his dispatches from England. But when they approached the island of Madagascar, the weather was so extremely tempestuous, that it was at that time judged impossible for any ship to be able to ly in the bay of St Augustine; so they returned to the Admiral without the dispatches from England. Sir Thomas Adams remained in the bay of St Augustine until his provisions were nearly exhausted, his crew extremely sickly, and the *Terpsichore* almost a wreck. He was forced to purchase provisions from the natives; and, despairing of hearing from Admiral Cornish, was constrained to bear away for the Cape of Good Hope, where he arrived in a very shattered condition.

The squadron under Admiral Cornish, having only four months provisions on board when they left India, began now to be in great distress. Having relied on the fleet expected from England for supplies of stores of all kinds, no accounts being received of Commodore Keppel, and the tempestuous season approaching, the Admiral was at length obliged to make for Madras with the ships he had with him, where he arrived, after having lost a great number of men. The *York*, while on this cruize, ran foul of the *Revenge* frigate in a dark night, with such force, as to stove in all

* This account the author had from Sir Thomas himself.

her gunwale to the water's edge, besides carrying away her main-mast. In this disagreeable rencounter, the York lost her fore-mast, bowsprit, main-top-mast, and main-yard. As it blew very hard, the people in the York feared that the Revenge had gone to the bottom, the officer of the watch having thrown himself on board of the York. Next day, however, as they were working to windward, to inform the Admiral of their disaster, they had the pleasure to see the Revenge, but much disabled. The York was very sickly; and not being able to make much sail for some days, they found it impossible to work up to the fleet; but the Chatham being in company, afforded them a great deal of assistance. Both ships, however, now becoming exceedingly scarce of provisions, their crews sickly, and finding it impracticable to regain the fleet, they were forced to bear away for the Cape of Good Hope.

By the time they arrived there, the crew of the Terpsichore were quite recovered; and Sir Thomas Adams seeing three sail in the offing, went off in his barge to meet them, supposing them to be British ships; but just as he had got along-side the headmost, he perceived her to be a French ship of the line: on this, he rowed for the two sternmost, which proved to be the York and Chatham, in the most distressed situation that imagination can form. The first was under jury masts, and had near three hundred sick men on board; the few that were able to stand the deck, were in a most wretched plight, the Captain and all the officers being obliged to work as hard as any of the foremast men, both at pump and braces; they had likewise, for a considerable time, been short of bread. The reigning disorder on board was the highest degree of a dropsical scurvy, by which, in the space of one month, (the time employed from their first bearing away, to their arrival at the Cape), they had buried upwards of sixty men. The Chatham, in point of sickness, was not in a better condition than the York. The night before they made the land of the Cape of Good Hope, they fell in with the French ship of war before mentioned, viz. the Centaur of seventy guns, from the Mauritius, who had been at the bay of St Augustine in quest of the Terpsichore frigate; but, missing her, had bore away for the Cape. She did not choose to come near, perceiving them both to be two-decked ships. This was a fortunate circumstance for the York and

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and Chatham; as, had she attacked them, an easy conquest would have been made of both ships, neither of them being in a condition to make any resistance.

Sir Thomas returned immediately to his ship, and not only sent all the men he could spare, but all sorts of refreshments for the sick, and soon after brought both ships to an anchor. He waited on the Governor, to whom he related the melancholy condition in which he found them, when his Excellency gave immediate orders for every possible assistance being afforded them. An hospital was instantly provided, and the sick landed from both ships; but in doing of this, although every care was taken of them, several died. Such, however, as reached the hospital, and partook of the refreshments with which the Cape of Good Hope abounds, speedily recovered.

The ships were fitted for sea with all possible dispatch. While this was doing, a large fleet of Dutch East India Company ships arrived at the Cape from Europe; and, a few days afterwards, a letter from a British sailor on board one of the Dutch India ships, was conveyed to Captain Lynn of the Chatham, intimating, that himself and several British subjects had been kidnapped in Holland, and were now detained on board the Dutch India ships, contrary to their inclinations. The British Captains, in hope of getting this affair amicably settled, waited on the Governor of the place, as well as the Commodore of the Dutch ships, and made known their orders how to act when such complaints were made to them. The Dutch Commodore urged, that the affair was misrepresented; that they were mostly volunteers; and that, without their aid, they could not navigate their ships on their respective voyages. The British Captains could not give up the point; and, in conformity to their orders, insisted on searching the Dutch ships for the British subjects; with which the Dutch at last complied, when near one hundred and fifty British seamen were obtained. They provided a very seasonable supply to the York and the Chatham; as, without them, they would scarcely have been able to have navigated the two ships back to India, whither they soon afterwards sailed *. The Terpsichore returned to England.

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* A like circumstance happened to Sir Thomas Adams, on his voyage to Madagascar. Falling in with a Dutch East India ship outward bound, mutual civilities passed. The Dutch Captain sent one of his mates, and invited Sir Thomas

WEST INDIES.—LEEWARD ISLAND STATION.

COMMODORE Sir James Douglas commanded his Majesty's ships on this station. He was very active in distressing the enemy's privateers, and afforded very ample protection to the islands and their trade. His squadron was reinforced by the *Stirling Castle*, *Norwich*, *Falkland*, *Sutherland*, *Penzance*, and *Repulse*, (See Note 176.) which escorted a body of troops from North America, under the command of Lord Rollo. The island of *Dominica* was so much under the influence of France, and so partial to the privateers of that nation, that it could not with propriety be any longer considered as a neutral island: orders had therefore been sent from England to attack it. Accordingly, on the 4th of June, Sir James Douglas, in the *Dublin*, sailed from *Basse Terre*, in the island of *Guadeloupe*, having with him the *Belliqueux*, *Montagu*, and *Sutherland*, and Lord Rollo, with the troops under his command. On the 6th, he anchored in the road of *Roseau*, the capital of the island. Two officers were immediately sent on shore, with a manifesto, signed by the Commodore and his Lordship, setting forth the reasons for their coming in a hostile manner, and summoning the inhabitants to surrender. This paper being read to the people by the officers; two of the principal inhabitants came off, soon after, and went on board the *Dublin*, with a design to treat about a capitulation for the island.

Whether this was only a feint to gain time, or that the people on shore had, in their absence, been spirited up by M. Longprie, the Governor, to stand on their defence, it is difficult

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on board to dinner. He being indisposed, could not go; but sent his first Lieutenant, who was most politely entertained, and shewn every part of the ship. When between decks, a slip of paper was put into his hand, on which was written an information that several British sailors were detained on board, contrary to their inclination, and praying him to get them released. The Lieutenant requested that the men might be delivered up to him; which the Dutch Captain refused. Sir Thomas Adams being made acquainted with the affair; he assured the Dutch Captain, that he was sorry to do any thing offensive to him, after the politeness he had shewn him; but he must obey his orders, which led him to use force, if nothing else would do; a necessity, he hoped, he would not compel him to. Upon this, the men in question were delivered up.

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to determine ; but, soon after they were set on shore in the afternoon, an answer was given, that they would defend themselves ; whereupon the inhabitants appeared in arms at all their intrenchments and batteries, both at the town, and at the heights above it. Every thing having been previously concerted between Lord Rollo and the Commodore, the latter, immediately on this, made the signal for the troops to prepare to land ; when the ships moving close to the shore, came to an anchor with springs on their cables, and began so warm a cannonade, that the enemy's batteries were soon silenced. Under cover of the fire from the ships, the troops landed in most excellent order, and immediately formed on the beach, while a part of them marched and took possession of the town. Lieutenant Colonel Melvill, at the head of the grenadiers, seized a flanking battery and part of an adjoining intrenchment which the enemy had abandoned on his approach. The enemy then retreating to a little distance, kept up an irregular fire of musquetry from behind trees and bushes, and now and then fired a few shot from a battery they had, which overlooked the intrenchments, the town and the shore. Night was now come on ; and as Lord Rollo apprehended that the troops might suffer much from some cannon and musquetry which the enemy had placed on works they had erected on the side of a hill, which commanded the ground near to where the troops were posted, and conjecturing, that the country being now alarmed, and extremely capable of defence, the enemy might be considerably reinforced before morning, he resolved to attack them in their intrenchments immediately. Lieutenant Colonel Melvill led on the grenadiers with great spirit : he was supported by the battalion troops. They successively drove the enemy from all their batteries and intrenchments in great confusion, and took post at their head quarters. On this occasion, M. Longprie, the Governor, M. de la Couche, the second in command, and several of the principal inhabitants of the island, were made prisoners. Our loss was only two men killed, and four wounded. Next day the whole island submitted ; and the people having delivered up their arms, took the oath of submission to his Britannic Majesty. The place being taken by assault, Lord Rollo would grant them no terms, but protection, until his Majesty's pleasure should be known.

By means of spies, the Commodore gained intelligence that a frigate, with a ship under Neapolitan colours, and a sloop richly laden, were soon to sail for Europe, from St Pierre's in the island of Martinico. Ships were stationed to intercept them; which they certainly would have done, had not a gale separated them soon after sailing, by which the frigate escaped; but the other two were taken. The Virgin sloop, commanded by Captain Brisbane, took a schooner laden with coffee: the making of this capture was attended with so many circumstances of resolution and good conduct, that they deserve particular mention. The schooner was at anchor close to the island of St Lucia. On the Virgin standing for her, the people on shore got under arms to prevent them from attacking the schooner, and kept an incessant fire from swivels and musquetry on the Virgin and her boat, (which had put off to endeavour to board the schooner) by which Captain Brisbane and seven men were wounded. This obliged Lieutenant Brabazon who commanded the boat, to return on board for a set of fresh men, those he had with him being all disabled by wounds. This done, he once more rowed for the schooner, and, under fire of the sloop, he boarded, and brought her off.

Mr Pitt having determined to make an attack on all the French islands in this part of the West Indies, had, for this purpose, ordered a very large military force to proceed to that quarter, as soon as the hurricane months were over. These were to be joined by a considerable reinforcement from Europe; and the command of the fleet which was to co-operate with the army, was bestowed on Rear-Admiral Rodney.

WEST INDIES.—JAMAICA STATION.

REAR-ADMIRAL HOLMES commanded his Majesty's ships on this station, (See Note 177.); and, considering the few ships of any consequence the French had now at sea, his cruizers were pretty successful. On the 7th of January, the Trent, commanded by Captain Lindsay, fell in with, and gave chase to *Le Bien Aimé*, a French merchant frigate of twenty guns, and eighty-five men, from Martinico for France, laden with

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and coffee. Coming up with her, a close engagement took place, which lasted an hour; when she struck, having twenty men killed and wounded. The Trent had only one man killed, and five wounded. She proved a very valuable prize.

The Cambridge being under repair, and the Admiral receiving intelligence that the St Anne was soon to put to sea from Port au Prince, he hoisted his flag on board of the Centaur, and, with some other ships, got off that port on the 5th of June, which he stationed in such a manner, as that they could not fail of intercepting her. Early in the morning, the Hampshire got sight of the St Anne, and chased her right down upon the Centaur to leeward. Upon the chase discovering the Centaur, she hauled up, and was kept between the two ships till she was almost in-shore and becalmed about a league to the northward of Donna Maria bay, when she began to fire her stern chase. A little after one o'clock, the Centaur got up close along-side of her, and began to engage her; on which she struck her colours. She was pierced for sixty-four guns, but had only six twenty-four pounders, twenty-six twelve pounders, and eight eight-pounders mounted, with a crew of three hundred and eighty-nine men, and was commanded by M. d'Aguillon. She had on board a cargo of great value, consisting of indigo, sugar, and coffee. Being a fine ship, and almost new, she was purchased by Government, and added to the Royal Navy by the same name.

On the 21st of December, Rear-Admiral Holmes died, universally lamented. The command devolved on Captain Arthur Forrest of the Centaur, the senior Captain, until the arrival of Sir James Douglas.

NORTH AMERICA.

LORD COLVILL had the command of his Majesty's ships on this station, (See Note 178.); which having now no enemy to contend with, were mostly employed in escorting large bodies of land-forces to the West Indies. Some of the transports having separated from their convoys, several of them were met by French privateers of considerable force, which attacked

them; and though the transports had no guns, yet they made such a stout resistance with their small arms, that they beat off the enemy. In these actions, an officer of Colonel Montgomery's Highland regiment, and a good many private men, were killed, and several officers and private men wounded.

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His Majesty's ships on this station were commanded by Vice-Admiral Saunders, (See Note 179.) who, towards the close of this year, received a very considerable reinforcement under the command of Sir Piercy Brett. On the 1st of April, the *Isis*, Captain Wheeler, being on a cruize off Cape Tres Forcas, fell in with a large sail, to which he immediately gave chase, and got along-side of her about six in the evening, when a warm action took place, in the beginning of which, Captain Wheeler, a midshipman, and a quarter-master, were killed by one shot. The command of the *Isis* devolved on Lieutenant Cunningham, who continued a running fight (the enemy endeavouring to make off) until half past ten; at which time they endeavoured to get to the northward of the *Isis*, so as to gain the Spanish shore. To prevent this design being effected, Lieutenant Cunningham found it necessary to run on board of them, which was done without any damage to the *Isis*, except the loss of one of her anchors; soon after which, the enemy surrendered. She proved to be the *Ore-flame*, a French ship of war of fifty guns, but had only fourteen eighteen-pounders, and twenty-six twelve-pounders mounted. She had between forty and fifty men killed and wounded in the action. Her cargo was very valuable; and, although deeply laden, she was able to use her lower ports. The *Isis* had only four men killed, including the Captain, and nine wounded.

The *Thunderer*, *Modeste*, *Thetis*, and *Favourite* sloop, were ordered to cruize off Cadiz, in hopes of intercepting *L'Achille* of sixty-four, and *Bouffon* of thirty-two guns, two French ships of war, which were expected soon to sail from that port. On looking into Cadiz, on the 14th of July, it was perceived that

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the French ships had stole out ; and, judging what course they would steer, the British ships followed them with a press of sail. On the 26th, about two in the afternoon, they got sight of them; and about one in the morning of the 17th, the Thunderer got along-side L'Achille, and began a very close action, when unfortunately one of the Thunderer's upper-deck guns burst, which blowing up a great part of the poop, killed and wounded a great many men, and set fire to the ship. This, however, with some difficulty, being got extinguished, the engagement was instantly renewed. The ships getting quite close to each other, Lieutenant Leslie, at the head of one hundred and fifty men, resolutely boarded the enemy, when they struck. About seven in the morning, the Thetis got up with the Bouffon, and engaged her very closely for half an hour; when the Modeste coming up, and firing a few shot, the enemy struck. Both the prizes had a great many men killed and wounded in the respective actions. The Thunderer, besides being considerably damaged in her hull, masts, yards, and rigging, had seventeen men killed, and one hundred and thirteen wounded, seventeen of whom died a few days afterwards. Among the wounded was Captain Proby, (who received a slight hurt in the hand), and the second and third Lieutenants. The Thetis sustained no loss.

The Cygnet took the Julius Cæsar privateer of eighteen guns, and one hundred and thirty-five men; and the Favourite sloop took the St Joseph and St Antoine privateer, of twelve guns and eighty-five men.

TRANSACTIONS AT AND NEAR HOME.

ADMIRAL Sir Edward Hawke, having along with him Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Hardy, remained at their station in Quiberon bay, with a very considerable fleet, watching the French ships of war, which continued blocked up in the river Vilaine; the better to observe whose motions, the Admiral detached four ships of the line, under the command of Captain Gambier, who anchored about a league from the entrance of the river; and every night, some small craft kept plying between the river's mouth and the ships, in order to give notice, in case the enemy should try to make their escape: this was the

the more necessary, as intelligence had been received, that a great reward had been offered by the King of France, to any person who would undertake to bring out the ships of war in Vilaine river, and conduct them to Brest or Rochefort.

To accomplish this, the enemy chose a very dark night, and a high tide; and on the 2d of January they effected it. As soon as they came out, the small craft gave the alarm; and being necessitated to sail close by the ships under Captain Gambier, one or two of the French ships were seen, and a gun fired into one of them. Of this they took no notice, but kept standing on; whereupon Captain Gambier, immediately letting Sir Edward Hawke know by signal what had happened, slipped his cables, and put to sea with the Burford, Prince Frederick, Edgar, and St Florentine. His own judgment would have led him to make for the entrance of the harbour of Brest; but perceiving a light, he consulted his officers, who advised him to follow it. This he did with a crowd of sail, and came up with the chase next morning. She was a Spanish vessel, and had been made use of as a decoy to mislead our ships. On this, Captain Gambier directly made for Brest, whither he arrived only a few hours too late, for intercepting the fugitives.

The secret expedition under General Kingsley having been relinquished, Sir Edward Hawke, and Sir Charles Hardy, returned to England, the beginning of March, leaving a small squadron in Quiberon bay.

Another secret expedition being ordered, and every thing in readiness, Major-General Hodgson, who was appointed to command the land-forces, gave orders for the army to embark. It consisted of twelve battalions of infantry, two battalions of marines, and three companies of the regiment of artillery; which force was to be followed by four troops of light-dragoons, making in all about ten thousand men. The squadron which was to co-operate with it, consisted of ten sail of the line, eight frigates, three sloops, three bomb-ketches, and two fire-ships, and was commanded by Commodore Keppel. (See Note 180.) Such was the strength of this formidable armament, which sailed from St Helens, the 29th of March; but it was the 6th of April before the wind permitted them to get sight of the island of Belleisle, against which they were designed.

In the evening the Commodore detached six frigates, with orders to station themselves between the main and the island, to cut off the enemy's communication with the continent. Ever since the end of last autumn, when Belleisle had been threatened with an invasion, the enemy had spared no cost or pains to put it in a state of defence. Intrenchments and batteries were raised at every place where a landing was thought practicable; and a strong garrison was placed in the fort, under the command of the Chevalier de St Croix, one of the best officers in the French army. Early in the morning of the 7th, the fleet passed the south end of the island; and, sailing very near the shore, gave the General and the Commodore an opportunity of reconnoitring the coast, and enabled them to fix on a place where a descent could be made with the greatest probability of success. This they thought could be effected, in a bay near the point of Lomaria; but the wind being then southerly, it could not be attempted at that time: at noon, however, the whole fleet came to an anchor in the great road of Palais. The General, Commodore, and some other officers, went immediately in a cutter, to examine the coast to the northward; but they found the enemy so well prepared at every place, and so extremely alert and attentive to all our motions, that they could not fix upon a spot where a landing could be made good, without risking a great many lives. While on this service, the flat-boats were hoisted out, and the troops got in readiness to land on a moment's warning. The General Officers returned too late in the day, to make any attempt for a landing; but they settled a plan for a descent, which they resolved to put in practice next morning, at a place called Port Andro; which place they had particularly noticed on the 7th, as they sailed along the island.

In order to distract the enemy, and to divide their attention as much as possible, a feint to land was to be made near to Saugon at the same time. For this purpose, Sir Thomas Stanhope, and four ships of war, with the transports having the ninety-seventh and ninety-eighth regiments, and the marine corps, on board, were ordered to proceed on this service, in order to draw off a considerable part of the enemy's forces to that part of the island, to oppose this supposed debarkation.

barkation. On the 8th, early in the morning, the wind being at N. E. a signal was made for the troops to get into the boats, and to repair to the rendezvous. The Dragon and Achilles, with the two bomb-ketches, were ordered to sail round the Point de Lomaria, at the south-east end of the island, and to attack a four-gun battery which defended the entrance into the bay of Port Andro, where it was intended the troops should endeavour to force a landing. Commodore Keppel shifted his broad pendant from the Valiant to the Prince of Orange; and, with the troops in the flat-boats, soon after followed the ships to the bay of Port Andro. The Achilles led the way into the bay, and began the attack, in which she was so well seconded by the Dragon, that the enemy's cannon were soon silenced; on which the Achilles hoisted a Dutch jack at the main top-gallant-mast head, being the signal that they had done so. Immediately the signal was made from the Prince of Orange for the troops to land. They rowed for the shore in three divisions, conducted by Captain Barton of the Navy; it being intended to land at three places, contiguous to each other, at the same time. The enemy was posted in the strongest manner, intrenched up to the teeth on the sides of a steep hill, the foot of which they had scooped away to such a height, that it was impossible to get up to their breast-works without the assistance of scaling-ladders. The troops however made good their landing, notwithstanding a heavy fire of small arms from the enemy's works. But, after performing prodigies of valour, the General, finding all their efforts ineffectual to ascend the hill, was obliged to order a retreat, after sustaining considerable loss. Here Generals Crawford and Carleton (now Lord Doncaster) exerted themselves greatly: the latter received a wound in the thigh.

One of the flat-boats having on board sixty grenadiers of the sixty-seventh regiment, had landed at a very difficult place, at some distance from the spot where the army was ordered to land. These getting to the top of the hill, Captain Osborne there formed his little band with great judgment; but they were so quickly attacked by much superior numbers, that they were totally routed; all of them, excepting twenty which the boats brought off from the rocks to which

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they had fled, being either killed or made prisoners. Had Captain Osborne's landing been observed in due time, and succours immediately sent to him, he would certainly have maintained his ground until the army had landed, when the enemy must either have retreated, or been cut to pieces: he unfortunately fell in this gallant attempt. The fire from the ships effectually covered the retreat of the army; but scarce were they got out of the bay, when they were overtaken with a severe gale of wind, in which all of them were in the greatest danger of being lost. They had far to row to regain their ships; and night coming on, the transports got foul of each other, when many anchors and cables were lost, together with twenty flat-bottomed boats.

While the attack was making at Port Andro, Sir Thomas Stanhope caused the troops to be embarked in boats, with every appearance of making a descent near to Sauçon, in order to second the operations at the south part of the island. The loss sustained by the army, on the 8th, amounted to near five hundred men, in killed, wounded, and prisoners. As soon as the weather became moderate, all diligence was used to get the damages they had sustained, repaired in the best manner that circumstances would admit of; but the loss of so many flat-bottomed boats was severely felt in their next attempts to land, and occasioned the debarkations to be inferior in point of force to what they had hitherto been.

The arrival of the transports, however, under convoy of the Windsor, Captain Cleveland, having the light-dragoons on board, was of considerable service, as it enabled General Hodgson to form another feint, when he repeated his attempt to force his landing. The coast being explored with the greatest care, a plan of attack was concerted for making a descent, on the 22d, at a place called Fort d' Arsic, under the conduct of Major-General Crawford. In order to second his operations, two feints were to be made at the same time: the first near St Foy, under the conduct of Brigadier-General Lambart, but who had orders, in case he saw any prospect of success, to land, and endeavour to maintain his ground until he was reinforced: the other feint was to be made at Sauçon, where the transports having the light-dragoons on board, were convened; which, with the Torbay, Temeraire, and other war

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ships, made a very formidable appearance. The Sandwich, Dragon, and Prince of Orange, together with two bomb-ketches, and two armed transports, were ordered to cover the landing of the troops at Fort d' Arsic; the debarkation to be under the direction of Captain Barton. Sir Thomas Stanhope in the Swiftsure, with the Hampton Court, Essex, and Lynn, were ordered to attend the operations of the corps under Brigadier-General Lambart. Early in the morning of the 22d, the ships were all at their respective stations, and soon silenced the enemy's batteries.

While this was performing, the troops got into their boats and rowed to the rendezvous, under the stern of the Achilles, ready to proceed to the places of attack. The signal being made to land, about three o'clock in the afternoon, they rowed off in two divisions; and kept close together, till nearly abreast of the spots where descents were to be attempted. The troops under Brigadier Lambart, being close under the steep rocks, were not much seen by the enemy, who judged that the principal attack was to be made at Fort d' Arsic. Brigadier-General Lambart, thinking the place he was sent against weakly guarded, ordered the troops to land. The grenadiers of the 19th regiment, commanded by Captain Paterfon, clambered up the rocks unperceived by the enemy, and reached the summit. These were followed by a small corps of marines, headed by Captain Murray. This was quite unexpected by the enemy, who trusted entirely to the great height of the precipice, and thought it impossible that a landing could be effected here. Some more troops arriving, they formed on the top of the rock; when being perceived by the enemy, the regiment of Bigorre marched down the hill, and attacked them with great resolution. Our troops now posted themselves behind a wall, from which the enemy could not force them; and, keeping up a steady and well-directed fire, they maintained their ground until Brigadier-General Lambart arrived with the grenadiers of the thirtieth regiment, and the remainder of the marines, under Lieutenant-Colonel Mackenzie; upon which General Lambert ordered the troops to move briskly on, and attack the enemy in turn, which they did with great spirit; and taking them in flank, they forced them to retire to the top of the hill, where they had some field-pieces.

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In the mean time, Sir Thomas Stanhope, who was extremely attentive to all the motions of the troops, the moment he perceived that they had made good their landing, made the signal for all the boats, manned and armed, to go to their assistance. On this, the division of troops designed to attack Port d' Arsic, rowed with the greatest dispatch to second General Lambart; who, as soon as he found that he had force sufficient, marched up the hill, and attacked the enemy. They only fired their cannon once, and fled. Three brass field-pieces, and some wounded prisoners, were taken here. Our loss, on this occasion, did not exceed thirty men. Captains Paterfon and Murray, whose behaviour did them the greatest honour, were both wounded; having, with their companies alone, stood an attack from near three hundred of the enemy's best troops, until they were reinforced by some of General Lambart's corps. By five in the evening, the troops were all landed; when the General having arranged his forces, pushed on near three miles after the enemy; and taking post on an eminence, the army there lay on their arms all night.

In the night, the enemy lighted a large fire on the top of a hill in the middle of the island. This was a signal for all the inhabitants, able to bear arms, to repair to Palais. In order to retard the march of the army as much as possible, the enemy broke up the roads, demolished the bridges, and, after spiking up the cannon, and destroying the carriages, blew up all their little magazines at the different batteries along shore. Early on the 23d, General Hodgson put the army in motion, and marched towards Palais. M. de St Croix having now collected his whole force, twice shewed an intention of making a stand, and risking a battle. But the British General advanced with such caution, and at the same time with such resolution and briskness, that the enemy retired as the troops approached; and finally shut themselves up in their redoubts, and citadel of Palais.

When the news reached London, of the check General Hodgson had received on the 8th of April, the nation seemed displeased, not having been accustomed of late to rebuffs of this sort. The Minister immediately ordered a reinforcement of four battalions of infantry, together with a supply of flat-bottomed boats, cables, anchors, and all sorts of naval and mili-

tary stores to be sent to the besiegers. These were escorted by five ships of the line. (See Note 180.)

The first step that General Hodgson took, was, to secure all the necessary posts and passes, and to establish a proper communication with the fleet. At first, the weather being very unfavourable for landing the cannon, ammunition, intrenching tools, and provisions, occasioned a delay of several days before he could break ground before the place. M. de St Croix availed himself of this as much as possible, and added new works to those already constructed; having with great labour and judgment raised six redoubts to defend the town of Palais, which it was absolutely necessary to take, before the approaches could be carried on against the citadel, as he had placed them on the very ground where he judged some of our batteries must be erected.

It was the 2d of May before our batteries opened, when their effect was soon perceived. The night following, the enemy made a vigorous sally, with a corps of four hundred men, headed by one of their best officers. They attacked our most advanced work, which they forced, and there made Major-General Crawford, who was exerting himself very much, and his two aids-du-camp, prisoners. They then pushed on, and attacked the trenches; when their leader was heard to encourage his men, by calling out to them, "Allons, mes enfans; mes soldats, allons! voilà, c'est la voye à l'honneur, à la gloire, à la victoire." He then leaped into the works, but was instantly pierced through the heart by the thrust of a bayonet from a grenadier of the thirtieth regiment. A good deal of firing now commenced on both sides; but a party of marines, under the command of Captain David Hepburn, arriving very seasonably to the assistance of the troops in the trenches, they attacked the enemy so briskly, that they were forced to retire with considerable loss. Sir William Peer Williams, of the sixteenth regiment of light dragoons, in returning from visiting an out-post, the night being dark, unfortunately mistook his way, and getting close to the citadel, was shot by one of the enemy's sentinels. When the engineer began to extend his second parallel, he found it necessary that one of the enemy's redoubts should be attacked. The General gave orders that two hundred men should assault it next morning, and that four pieces

of batteries should be directed against it. The enemy, however, had been apprised of our intentions, and had taken every precaution to avoid being surprised. They had fled with their baggage, and had a considerable number of the redoubts. The officer in charge of the baggage was instantly killed, and the service was proposed to the trenches. The men) marched. The rest of the day was spent in the wall-pieces, and the enemy had one of the General's immediate enemy the citadel, and the communication entirely cut off. All hope of the end

of battering-cannon, one howitzer, and a number of cohorns, should play on it all night. This greatly shattered the place, and fatigued the enemy; so that when the detachment marched against it next morning, (the 13th), they, perceiving with what intrepidity our troops advanced to the redoubt, surrendered themselves prisoners. Captain Smith of the thirtieth regiment, and Captain (now Major-General) Carruthers, who commanded the detachment, resolved to take advantage of the panic in which they found the enemy: they therefore pushed on, and attacked two more of the enemy's redoubts; but, in order to avoid being made prisoners, the French abandoned both, and fled with precipitation to the citadel.

Brigadier-General Jennings commanded in the trenches, and had a corps ready to have supported the troops in assaulting the redoubts, if it had appeared necessary. At this time, an officer observed to him, that it was a pity not to take advantage of the consternation the enemy appeared to be in, by instantly attacking the other three redoubts; when Major Nesbitt, of the sixty-ninth regiment, offering to undertake that service with two hundred men, the Brigadier agreed to the proposal. He ordered all of that regiment then on duty in the trenches (amounting only to three hundred and seventy men) to attend the Major, who lost not a moment, but marched against the three remaining redoubts with the greatest resolution, and carried them with very little loss; the enemy abandoning them successively, as the troops approached. In these works were found a great quantity of ammunition, wall-pieces, and intrenching tools. In this attack, Major Nesbitt and nine men were wounded, and four men killed. The enemy, besides very considerable loss, in killed and wounded, had one hundred men made prisoners.

General Hodgson followed up this stroke very briskly, and immediately made a lodgment in the town, which obliging the enemy to abandon it, they were now closely blocked up in the citadel. From the alertness of the squadron, all communication between the continent and the citadel of Palais was entirely cut off; and the place being now completely invested, all hope of relief to the besieged was precluded; who, in the end, were compelled to surrender; their numbers daily decreasing,

decreasing, and the defences of the place so much ruined, that they had no safety but in the casemates.

M. de St Croix, however, resolved to defend the place to the last; and, by that means, to establish his own honour and reputation, and make the besiegers pay as dear for the place as possible. He repeated his forties; none of which, however, had effect sufficient to retard the operations of the siege. One of these having been directed against a small battery of cannon, where Lieutenant Lachlan Cuthbert commanded, the people he had with him, thinking they would be overpowered, fled, and left their officer alone. He upbraided them with their conduct, pointed some of the guns at the enemy, and fired them. His distress being observed, a reinforcement of men was sent him so very speedily, that the enemy were prevented from seizing the battery, and soon obliged to retreat with loss. General Hodgson was so much pleased with the gallant behaviour of Mr Cuthbert, that he gave him his thanks in the public orders of next day.

By the 16th of May, the batteries were completed, and the citadel was incessantly played on from forty mortars, ten howitzers, ten thirty-two pounders, twenty twenty-four pounders, and ten twelve pounders; while the brass field-pieces were occasionally employed to fire ricochet, to clear the enemy's works. On the 20th, one shot from the citadel killed a sergeant and thirteen men; and, the same day, two sailors were killed as they were dragging cannon to a battery. On the 20th, at night, one of our shells entered a small place in the citadel, made a great explosion, and drove some of the stones into the town with such force, as killed one of our men, and wounded several more. The 25th, the breach began to appear considerable; on which day, a flag of truce was sent from the citadel, with a letter from Major-General Crawford, to General Hodgson; complaining, in the name of the British prisoners in the citadel of Palais, against M. de St Croix, who had ordered them to be confined in the upper part of one of the houses in the garrison, where they were exposed to our shot. Colonel Burgoyne was immediately dispatched to the continent, with a letter to the Duc d'Aiguillon, remonstrating against such treatment. The Colonel returned, and brought an Officer back with him, charged with letters to M. de St Croix,

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from the Duc d'Aiguillon. He was directly conveyed into the citadel; and, soon after, the prisoners were removed to the casemates.

From this time, to the 7th of June, the approaches made a rapid progress, and the breach appeared so wide, that preparations were making to storm the place, when M. de St Croix beat the chamade. The Commodore was immediately sent for; and the terms for surrendering the citadel being adjusted and signed, (See Note 180.) possession was taken of it the next day. In consideration of the gallant defence made by M. de St Croix, the garrison were allowed all the honours of war; marched through the breach our cannon had made in the walls of the citadel, and were immediately embarked for France. The loss the enemy sustained during the siege, was very considerable. When the place was first invested, the strength of the garrison amounted to two thousand six hundred men: and, when they marched out, on the 8th of June, their numbers consisted of one thousand six hundred and seventy-eight men. By this it appears, their loss, in killed, wounded, prisoners, deserters, and sick, amounted to nine hundred and twenty-two. The loss the British suffered by the enemy, from the 22d of April, to the 7th of June, was, thirteen officers, and about three hundred men killed; with twenty-one officers, and about four hundred and eighty men wounded, (See Note 180.): among the latter, was Brigadier General Howe. But the loss the army sustained by the enemy, was small, when compared with what they suffered by sickness. The great fatigues they underwent during the siege, and a want of proper refreshments, threw many into a fever and dysentery, which carried off great numbers.

It redounds much to the honour of the Navy and Army, that, during this fatiguing siege, the greatest harmony subsisted between the two services: both had their share in this arduous work; and it must be allowed, that the assistance of the fleet contributed greatly to the success of the enterprise. The Commodore sent the Honourable Captain Barrington, as did the General his aid-du-camp, Captain Rook, with their respective dispatches, which announced the army's having made good their landing on the 22d of April. His Majesty gave to both a most gracious reception, and ordered each of them a present

present of 500 l. When the island surrendered, the General again sent Captain Rook, and the Commodore, Captain Barton, with the agreeable intelligence to England. On this occasion, also, the King received them very graciously, and again ordered each a present of 500 l. *

General Crawford was appointed Governor of Belleisle, and a strong garrison left in it: but when the Spanish war broke out, he was detached with the greatest part of it to Portugal. The remainder was sent to the West Indies under Brigadier-General Rufane. A fresh garrison was sent from England, of some new raised regiments; and Colonel James Forrester, of the ninety-seventh regiment, was appointed Governor.

BASQUE ROAD, and the ISLAND of AIX.

AFTER the surrender of the island of Belleisle, Commodore Keppel detached a squadron from his fleet, under the command of Sir Thomas Stanhope, to Basque road, with a design to attack such of the enemy's ships as he might find there, and to demolish any new works they were erecting on the island of Aix. (See Note 181.) Sir Thomas came to an anchor with his squadron in Basque road, and not finding any of the enemy's ships, he next day detached Captain Parker with the *Buckingham*, *Monmouth*, *Nassau*, and *Furnace* bomb, to destroy the fortifications on the island of Aix.

Captain Parker anchored off the island with the ships under his command, and sent ashore Captain Chaplen of the *Furnace* bomb, to blow up the works. The enemy had six prames and a great number of row-gallies at the mouth of the river Charante, which, on the 21st of July, endeavoured to remove the ships at anchor off the island of Aix, which they attacked with

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* The Commodore having occasion to send some dispatches of importance to England, intrusted them to Captain Scroop, of the *Hampton-Court*, who, as soon as the ship was anchored at Spithead, put off in his barge, in order to land at Portsmouth, and set out for London. He was unfortunately overtaken by a sudden and heavy squall, when the barge oversetting, most of the people were drowned: but Captain Scroop, and a few others, after swimming for a considerable time, were, with the greatest difficulty, saved by a boat which put off to their assistance.

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twelve mortars, and upwards of seventy pieces of cannon. About seven in the morning, the enemy's vessels, accompanied by a number of launches full of men, weighed anchor from the *Passe des Filles*, and, with the tide of ebb, dropped towards the ships. They drew up in a close line ahead; and, from their number and motions, it was at first conjectured that they meant to come quite close; but they soon after hauled their wind, and brought up in a regular line upon the shoals, between the island of Ent and Fort Fouras; and, at a quarter after nine o'clock, began to bombard, and cannonade. In less than half an hour, they got the distance exact, on which our ships veered away, to be out of the reach of their shells; but as they veered, the enemy weighed anchor, dropped with the tide, and still preserved their distance. Upon this, all the ships hove ahead, expecting, as they had neared them so much, that the enemy's vessels would be within reach of their cannon; and indeed several of the shot struck them. At half an hour after eleven, the boats of the squadron in Basque road joined the ships off the island of Aix; and ebb tide being almost spent, Captain Parker resolved to warp nearer to the enemy. Sir Thomas Stanhope likewise sent the *Acæon*, *Fly*, and *Blast*, to their assistance. Captain Parker ordered the two latter to keep under sail, and the *Acæon* to range along the prames, and give them her broadside as she passed them, in order to amuse, and draw the enemy's attention from the boats then employed in carrying out warps, and from throwing shells at the line of battle ships, many of which fell very near, but without touching them.

At half past twelve, the *Acæon* ran aground on the tail of the Pall-bank. The boats were immediately dispatched with stream-anchors and hawsers to her assistance, and about two o'clock she floated. This unlucky accident prevented any of the ships from warping, except the *Nassau*, who was directed to cover the *Acæon*; which ship having laid out warps, she, by this means, got considerably nearer the enemy, and compelled five of the prames (the tide of flood then making) to retreat to their former moorings, and the other to get under the cannon on the south point of the island of Oleron. During the bombardment, Captain Chaplen threw from the Furnace-bomb

thirty-two shells, which were extremely well directed. On the 22d, one of the prames dropped with the flood above the men of war in the river Charante. Captain Ourry's behaviour was extremely spirited, and merited great applause. The *Acæon* had four men killed and one wounded, and her rigging much damaged. The main braces, and one of the fore puttock-throwds of the *Buckingham*, were shot away. One of the enemy's shells fell under the *Nassau's* counter, lifted the ship a little, drove in two trunnels, and shook her whole frame. Several shells also fell very near the *Monmouth*, and *Buckingham*. A shot from one of the prames fell on board the *Acæon*; it weighed upwards of thirty-eight pounds: by this means, the weight of metal those extraordinary vessels carry, was ascertained.

As soon as the works on the island of Aix were destroyed, Captain Parker's squadron rejoined that under Sir Thomas Stanhope in Basque road, whose fleet being alternately relieved by ships from England, continued on this station during the remainder of the year. In the month of December, the enemy made another attempt upon the ships in Basque road, and put it in execution from a quarter they least expected, viz. from the N. W. end of the island of Oleron. They chained three vessels, of about fifty tons each, at head and stern together, at the distance of a third of a cable asunder, and as these would take in a large sweep, they towed them into the wake of the British men of war. Nothing could be more favourable for such an attempt; the night was dark, the tides at their height, and the wind fair as could be desired. As our people expected that any attempt that might be made on them would come from the river Charante, they were not prepared for an attack from Oleron. The enemy, either through fear, or accident, set fire to the vessels too soon, which, presently after, blowing up, their explosion first gave the alarm: they were then about two miles from our fleet, and directly in the stream of the *Princess Amelia*: but the violence of the explosion having broke the chains, the fire-ships separated, and the danger was at an end. Next morning, the boats of the squadron extinguished the flames, and towed their remains into the fleet. The *Trident's* people picked up a man of war's boat that had attended on this enter-

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In order to prevent the enemy from sending any force from Brest, to disturb the operations going on against Belleisle, a strong squadron of ships were kept cruizing off that port, under the command of Captain Buckle. (See Note 182.)

On the 9th of March, the Rippon fell in with a French ship of the line, and two frigates, to which she gave chase; and getting close to them about six in the evening, one of the frigates came near him, and hoisted British colours. Captain Jekyl having then bore down on her, she set all the sail she could, and made signals to her two consorts, by firing sky-rockets, who also crowded sail, and made off. Captain Jekyl lost sight of them in the night; but next morning he once more perceived them, and gave chase to the largest, who made a private signal; which not being answered, the chase bore away with all the sail she could set. The Rippon immediately pursued, and at half past nine at night, got close along-side of the enemy. A very close action directly took place, which lasted near three hours and a half, the ships being sometimes in danger of falling on board of each other. It blew very hard all the time, and the sea ran so very high, that it was seldom the Rippon could open her lower ports: when this was attempted, she shipped so much sea, that the people on the lower deck were frequently up to their knees in water. Towards the end of the action, the enemy's fire greatly diminished, when unluckily one of the Rippon's lower-deck guns bursted, which killed eight men, wounded eight more, and made so great a concussion, that all the lanterns on that deck were extinguished. This disaster having occasioned some confusion on board the Rippon, the enemy took advantage of it, set all their sails, and made off; and a haze coming on, they were soon out of sight. Had the weather been moderate, there is no doubt that this ship would have been taken, as the Rippon fired three guns for her one, and the French were reduced to fire small arms from their gun-ports. Captain Jekyl endeavoured

to pursue the enemy; but his sails and rigging were so much damaged, that it was to no effect.

On the 16th of March, the Bedford, Captain Deane, took, after a chase of sixteen hours, a French ship of war called the Comette, of thirty-two guns, and two hundred and fifty men.

The Hero and Venus, commanded by Captains Fortescue and Harrison, on the 3d of April, took the Bertin, an outward bound French East India ship, mounting twenty-eight guns, (but pierced for sixty-four) with a crew of three hundred and fifty three men, ninety-three of whom were soldiers. Her cargo, which proved very valuable, consisted of ordnance and naval stores, merchant goods, and twenty-four thousand dollars. She was a fine new ship, was purchased by Government, added to the Royal Navy, and named the Belleisle.

The Aquilon, Captain Ogle, took the Subtile, a frigate belonging to the French East India Company, of sixteen guns, and eighty-four men: she was laden with coffee and pepper.

The Albany sloop, Captain Brograve, took the Pheasant, a French sloop of war of sixteen guns, and one hundred and twenty-five men. She was purchased by Government, and added to the Royal Navy by the same name.

The Solebay and Amazon; commanded by Captains John Dalrymple and Keith, on the 30th of January, fell in with the Chevert privateer of Dunkirk, and chased her from morning until two in the afternoon, when she got under a battery of four guns to the northward of Calais cliff, which kept up an incessant fire at our ships. About four o'clock, the privateer having run ashore, soon after struck to the Amazon, and was got off. She mounted eighteen guns, and had a crew of one hundred and sixty men. She was purchased by Government, added to the Royal Navy, and named the Pomona.

Lieutenant John M'Bride of the Grace armed cutter, being off Dunkirk, observing that the two prames, formerly there, were gone into the harbour, and that only four flat-bottomed boats, and a dogger privateer, remained in the road, immediately went and joined the Maidstone, and proposed to Captain Digges, if he would let him have four boats manned and armed, to cut out the privateer that night. The Captain, knowing Mr M'Bride to be a man of resolution and conduct, cheerfully

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The Blonde, Captain Kennedy, being stationed on the coast of Portugal, took a French ship of four hundred tons burden, from Bourdeaux to St Domingo: she mounted twenty-four guns, and had a crew of one hundred and twenty men; her cargo consisting of wine, brandy, and stores. She engaged the Blonde an hour before she would strike: her foremast was shot away; the ship considerably damaged; and had six men killed, and many wounded. The Blonde had only two men wounded. Captain Kennedy protected the trade so well, that the British factory at Lisbon presented him with a piece of plate, of the value of 200 l., in token of the high opinion which they entertained of his good services.

On the 8th of January, his Majesty's ship Unicorn, commanded by Captain Hunt, being on a cruize off the Penmarks, gave chase to the Vestale, a French frigate of thirty-two guns and two hundred and twenty men, commanded by M. Boissbertelot. Captain Hunt received a gun-shot wound the third broadside, in his right thigh, of which he died an hour after the action. The command then devolved on Lieutenant John Symons, who bravely fought the ship from half an hour past ten, till half an hour past twelve, when the enemy struck, having many

many men killed and wounded; among the latter was M. Boisébertelot, who lost his leg, and died of his wounds next day. The Unicorn had five men killed, and ten wounded, six of them dangerously. Lieutenant Symons, for his bravery, was made a Master and Commander. The Vestale was purchased into the service, and called the Flora. The day after the action, Captain Symons saw a sail to windward, which appeared to him to be a French ship of war: she bore down upon him for about half an hour, then hauled her wind, and stood in for the land.

On the 10th, he perceived two ships engaged, which proved to be his Majesty's ship the Seahorse, and the L'Aigrette frigate, being the same he saw on the 9th, the latter of which made all the sail she could from the other, upon the Unicorn's coming within two gun-shots of them; and, her rigging having sustained no material damage, she escaped. Captain Symons continued in chase of her till evening; but finding she greatly out-sailed the Unicorn, who had got a mizen top-mast up, in place of a fore-top-mast, to ease the foremast, and a main top-gallant mast for a mizen top-mast, and her sails and rigging much damaged in the action with the Vestale, he desisted from the pursuit.

The Seahorse, commanded by Captain James Smith, having been appointed to carry out the astronomers to Bencoolen, in the East Indies, to observe the transit of Venus over the Sun; on the 10th of January, being about thirty-four leagues S. W. of the Start, about eight in the morning, perceived a large frigate bearing down upon him. Captain Smith continued his course, and prepared to engage. At a quarter before eleven, the enemy came within pistol-shot, when an action began, which lasted an hour and a quarter with great warmth; during which, the ships were board and board three different times, which occasioned great slaughter on both sides. The enemy, upon seeing the Unicorn making for them, made off, notwithstanding Captain Smith did all in his power to prevent it. The Seahorse had eleven men killed, and thirty-eight wounded. The frigate that engaged the Seahorse, was the L'Aigrette, of thirty-four guns, who, with the Vestale, two ships of sixty-four guns, and the Calypso of sixteen guns, had escaped from the river Vilaine on

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the 2d of January. Captain Smith gained great reputation by his spirited conduct on this occasion, his ship mounting only twenty guns, and having no more than a hundred and sixty men. Being obliged to return to England to have her refitted, he was there promoted to the command of the *Guernsey* of fifty guns. Captain Charles Cathcart Grant succeeded him in the *Seahorse*, and proceeded to the East Indies with the astronomers.

The *Venus* of thirty-six, and the *Juno* of thirty-two guns, commanded by Captains Harrison and Philips, being on a cruize to the westward of Scilly, the former took a privateer of St Malo, carrying six guns, six swivels, and thirty-nine men.

On the 30th of January, they fell in with the *Brune*, a French frigate, of thirty-six guns, and three hundred and sixteen men. After a chase of some hours, the *Venus* overtook her. An action then commenced, which lasted upwards of two hours; when the *Juno* coming up, and firing a few guns, the *Brune* struck. The *Venus* had four men killed, and eighteen wounded; among the latter was Captain Harrison, his first Lieutenant, and Master. The *Juno* had only two men wounded. The *Brune* had nineteen men killed, and thirty-nine wounded. She was purchased by Government, and added to the Royal Navy by the same name.

The *Richmond* of thirty-two guns, commanded by Captain Elphinstone, being on a cruize on the coast of Flanders, received intelligence, on the 23d of January, of a French frigate, that had the day before taken an English vessel, and ransomed her. He immediately went in quest of the enemy's ship, and fortunately falling in with her about seven o'clock the same night, he crowded sail to come up with her: she at first bore down upon the *Richmond*, but she suddenly hauled her wind, and endeavoured to get away. Captain Elphinstone pursued, and came up with her about half past ten o'clock the next morning; when they began to engage, standing towards the land. At half past twelve, both ships ran ashore, along-side of each other, still continuing the engagement, but for a short time only, as the enemy fled from their quarters. The *Richmond* soon afterwards got afloat; but being drove by the tide a little to leeward,

ward, the enemy quitted their ship, and escaped on shore. The French frigate was called the *Felicité*, of thirty-two guns, and bound to Martinico with a cargo valued at 30,000 l. Sterling. She had near one hundred men killed or wounded in the action; among the former was M. Donnel, her Captain. The *Richmond* had only three men killed, and thirteen wounded.

This brave action was fought near S'Gravelsande, about eight miles from the Hague. The young Prince of Orange, General Yorke, Count D'Affry the French Ambassador, and many other persons of distinction, were spectators of the combat; in which, the seamanship and courage of the British appeared most conspicuous, and added greatly to the reputation of our arms.

Next day, Captain Elphinstone boarded the *Felicité*, and luckily found the dispatches destined for the West Indies, which in their hurry they had forgot to throw over-board. They likewise left four of their dead, and one drunken man on board which last he brought off, and set the ship on fire.

The *Minerva* of thirty-two guns, and two hundred and twenty men, commanded by Captain Alexander Hood, at day-light on the 23d of January, in latitude 45. 22. N. Cap Pinas bearing S. by E. distant thirty leagues, got sight of a large sail, to which he immediately gave chase, and soon discovered her to be a ship of two decks. The wind being fresh easterly and a great sea, at twenty minutes past ten o'clock Captain Hood got along-side of her, and began a close engagement. At eleven, the main and fore-top-mast of the enemy's ship being shot away, she presently after fell on board the *Minerva* on the starboard bow, and then dropped along-side; but the sea soon parted both ships, when the enemy fell astern. About a quarter after eleven, the *Minerva* lost her bowsprit, and, a little afterwards, her fore-mast. From these unfortunate accidents Captain Hood despaired of being able to attack the enemy again. He ordered the wreck to be cut away as soon as possible, and the ship was cleared of it by one o'clock, with only the loss of one man, and the sheet-anchor. He then wore the ship, and stood for the enemy, who was now about three leagues to leeward. At four o'clock, he got close up with her, and renewed the attack. About a quarter

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fore five, she struck; and proved to be the Warwick of thirty-four guns, but pierced for sixty, the same as when she belonged to his late Majesty. She was commanded by M. la Verger de Belair, who had the King's commission to rank as Captain of a fire-ship; having on board two hundred and ninety-five men, seventy-four of whom were a detachment of King's troops, with two officers, and four passengers; the latter destined for Pondicherry. She was bound for the isles of France and Bourbon, and was loaded with provisions, ammunition, and stores. She had fourteen men killed, and thirty-two wounded. The Minerva had fourteen men killed, and thirty-four wounded. At nine o'clock, the Minerva's main-mast went away; and at eleven, the mizen-mast followed.

On the 13th of March, the Vengeance, of twenty-six guns, (nine and four pounders), and two hundred men, commanded by Captain Nightingale, gave chase to a large sail; and about five o'clock in the afternoon, he got along-side of the enemy, and began a very close engagement, which continued for three quarters of an hour; during which time, the Vengeance was five times on fire. When so much shattered in her sails and rigging that the ship was not under command, the enemy ran their bowsprit over the taffarel, for boarding; but were timely prevented from putting that scheme in execution. The Vengeance sheered off to repair her sails and rigging. As soon as the ship was put in proper condition, Captain Nightingale again got close to the enemy, and renewed the engagement, which continued an hour longer, when the enemy sheered off, and bore away. The Vengeance being a second time disabled in her masts and rigging, was some time in wearing; but having at length effected it, she got once more along-side of the enemy, within pistol-shot, and engaged another hour and a half, when they called for quarter. She proved to be the Entrepreneur of forty-four guns, but had then only twenty-six twelve and nine pounders mounted, with a crew of two hundred and three men: she was equipped for war, and merchandize, and loaded with various kinds of goods for St Domingo. The enemy had five men killed, and twenty-four wounded. The Vengeance had six men killed, and twenty-seven wounded, most of them dangerously.

On the 13th of August, his Majesty's ship *Bellona*, of seventy-four guns, and six hundred men, commanded by Captain Robert Faulknor, and the *Brilliant* of thirty-six guns, and two hundred and forty men, commanded by Captain Loggie, fell in with the *Courageux* of seventy-four guns and seven hundred men, and the *Malicieuse*, and *Hermione* frigates, of thirty-two guns each, off Vigo. When they were first discovered, it was evening; but perceiving them to be ships of war, chase was given. The enemy crowded every sail they could set, to get away. It being clear moon-light, the parties had a view of each other all the night. In the morning, the French were about five miles ahead. The *Bellona*, although an excellent going ship, had gained little more than two miles, in a chase of fourteen hours. The French Commodore had it still in his power to make his escape; but his movements soon discovered a contrary resolution. He hoisted a red ensign in the mizen shrouds, (which was a signal for the two frigates to close and engage the *Brilliant*,) hauled down his studding-sails, wore round, and stood for the *Bellona*.

To reconcile this seemingly inconsistent conduct of the French, it will be necessary to take notice, that when they first discovered our ships in the haze of the horizon, they believed them to be both line of battle ships; all objects seen in that situation, appearing much larger than they really are. In the morning, they found the *Brilliant* to be a frigate, and supposed the *Bellona* to be a fifty-gun ship; which is not to be wondered at, as she has been frequently taken for a frigate.

The engagement began with the *Brilliant* and the frigates, one of which, after exchanging a few broadsides, shot ahead. When Captain Loggie perceived he should have both frigates to deal with at once, he observed to his officers, that, in his present circumstances, the best he could do was, if possible, to find sufficient employment for both vessels, that they might not be able to annoy the *Bellona*; and, at the same time, carefully to avoid being taken himself. With what admirable judgment and presence of mind he formed his plan, and with what a steady conduct and resolution he executed every part of his duty, at this critical moment, will sufficiently appear from what follows. During the time the *Bellona* and *Coura-*

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geux were engaged, and for half an hour afterwards, he withstood the united attacks of both frigates, and at last obliged them to sheer off, greatly damaged in their hulls and rigging. The *Brilliant* suffered much less than could have been expected. She had five men killed, and sixteen wounded; among the former, was the Master.

The *Courageux* and *Bellona* approached each other fast, having a fine working breeze, and the sea quite smooth; so that the men could stand and work their guns as at a battery. There being no room for accidental shots between wind and water, or loss of masts or yards by shifts of weather, it is plain, that the victory could only be decided by superior resolution and skill; and indeed, if we compare the two vessels, a more equal match could not have been picked out from the navies of the two nations. When the *Bellona* was within musket-shot, the enemy poured a broadside into her; and had given half another, before Captain Faulknor returned the fire. His first broadside struck the water; but almost every shot rose from thence, and took place. The French keeping up a very brisk fire, in a moment the *Bellona's* shrouds, braces, bowlings, and all her rigging, were cut to pieces; her mizen-mast next went, and fell over the stern, with all the men in the tops; they however recovered themselves, and got in at the gun-room ports. All this happened in nine minutes from the time the action began.

Captain Faulknor, on finding his ship so much disabled, feared the enemy might make their escape: he therefore gave orders for boarding. The position of the two ships soon rendered that impracticable; the *Courageux* was now in danger of running athwart the *Bellona's* fore-foot; and, lest she might take the advantage of that situation to rake her fore and aft, by the presence of mind, and united efforts of Captain Faulknor and the Master, (the only two officers on the quarter-deck), the *Bellona* was made to wear round, by means of her standing-sails, (as all the other rigging was shot away), and fell on the opposite quarter of the *Courageux*, which proved to be her starboard side. This was the decisive moment. The officers and seamen, with a promptitude and regularity which men thoroughly disciplined are alone capable of, flew each to their

their respective opposite guns, and carried on, from the larboard side, a more terrible fire than before. In about twenty minutes, the enemy hauled down their colours, and orders were given to cease firing. When the officers had come upon the quarter-deck, to congratulate each other on the victory, an unexpected round of shot came from the lower tier of the *Courageux*. It is impossible to describe the rage that animated the *Bellona's* crew on this occasion; without waiting for orders, they flew to their guns, and in an instant poured two broadsides into the enemy, who now called for quarter. The firing at last ceased on both sides.

The action lasted from twenty-five minutes past six, to four minutes past seven o'clock. At half an hour after seven the two frigates bore away, and our ships were so much disabled, they could not pursue them. The *Bellona* had six men killed, and twenty-five wounded, none of them dangerously. The *Courageux* had two hundred men killed, and one hundred and ten wounded; and the ship greatly damaged. She was commanded by M. Dugue Lambert, who was wounded in the neck, of which he died on the 25th, at Lisbon. His funeral was attended by the British, along with the French officers.

The *Courageux* turned out a valuable prize, having on board ransomers for five vessels which she had taken, amounting to 8500 l. She was purchased by Government, and added to the Royal Navy.

The wind proving strong northerly for some days after the action, and as both ships were much disabled, Captain Fawcett bore away for Lisbon, where he discharged the prisoners and set the wounded men on shore. They applied to the French Resident for relief; but he could give them none. Upon which the gentlemen of the British factory there, raised a subscription for them, to which the officers of the *Bellona* and *Brilliant* were very liberal; so that they gained as much honour by their humanity and benevolence to their vanquished enemies, as they had acquired glory in subduing them. The subscription amounted to 230 l. And had it not been for timely relief, those poor unfortunate people must have perished for want; there being no provision made by the French government, for the relief of such of their subjects as may be

to be carried in there, or to any other port, sick, wounded, or prisoners; whereas, British seamen are every where provided for, and the expence defrayed by Parliament.

The *Courageux*, on her way to Lisbon, by some accident took fire. On the alarm being given, twenty-four French prisoners were so terrified, that they threw themselves over-board, where they perished. The fire, by the activity of Lieutenant Male, was soon extinguished. Captain Faulknor's recommendations procured promotion for Mr Male, who was made Master and Commander.

The *King George*, privateer of Bristol, Captain Reed, of twenty-four guns, and one hundred and eighty men, took, after an engagement of five hours, the *Beaumont* of six hundred tons, mounting twenty-two guns, with two hundred and forty men, from the East Indies, having a cargo valued at 70,000*l*. Sterling. The enemy had sixty men killed and wounded. The *King George* had seven men killed, and eighteen wounded.

The attention which the Navy Officers of Great Britain paid to the commerce of their country, was truly meritorious: the truth of this cannot be better evinced, than by the following letter to the Secretary of the Admiralty, from Captain Timothy Edwards.

"SIR,

"You will be pleased to acquaint their Lordships, that
"when I commanded the *Valeur*, in January and February
"last, under the orders of Sir Charles Saunders, being then
"at Algiers, I received information, that an Algerine cruizer
"had plundered an English vessel near Cape Finisterre, bound
"to the coast of Guinea, which I believe might happen near
"the end of January or February; upon which I went, attended
"by the Consul, to demand satisfaction of the Dey, for such an
"act of piracy, and affront done his Majesty's flag; when he had
"the crew severally searched, and after a severe reprimand to
"the soldiery that were the principals, he found and restored
"five hundred German crowns, two pieces of English silver,
"some wearing apparel of little worth, and a few fire arms. I
"should be glad to know how the money is to be disposed of,
"that will be lodged next week with Messrs Martin, Stone, and
"Blackwells, bankers in Lombard Street. I am," &c.

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A LIST of the PRINCIPAL FRENCH PRIVATEERS taken this YEAR, and by whom, &c.

Names of the Privateers.	Number of		Belonged to	Number of		By whom taken.	Number of		Captain's Name.	Number of		How disposed of
	Guns.	Men.		Kill.	Wounded.		Guns.	Men.		Kill.	Wounded.	
L' Aurore,	14	130	Boucaux,	0	0	Mars and	74	600	Ja Young	0	0	Sold.
Le Sardoine,	14	110	Ditto,	0	0	Orford	66	520	Rich. Spy	0	0	Purchased by Government.
Duc de Berri,	8	65	Dieppe,	0	0	Biddeford	20	120	T. Howe	0	0	Sold, had 5 ranf. on board.
Sainte Terese,	10	75	Ditto,	0	0					0	0	Ditto.
Zephyr,	12	67	Bayonne,	0	0					0	0	Ditto.
Comte de Gramont,	20	117	Ditto,	0	0	Aguillon	28	200	Chaloner Ogle	0	0	Purchased by Government.
Aurora,	10	75	Rehelle,	0	0					0	0	Ditto.
L' Angule,	12	67	Ditto,	0	0	Vengeance	28	200	G. Nightingale	0	0	Sold.
Duchesse de Gramont,	12	87	St Malo,	0	0	Juno,	32	220	J. T. Phillips	0	0	Formerly his Majty's sloop the Hawk, purch. by Govern.
Sultan,	10	75	Bayonne,	0	0	Swallow sloop	14	100	Lieut. Brice	0	0	Sold.
Aimable Gabrielle,	14	128	St Jean de Luz	0	0	Efcorte sloop	14	100	Chas. Elllys	0	0	Ditto.
Duc de Mazurine,	12	106	Dunkirk,	0	0	Nieer	32	220	J. Benitack	0	0	Ditto.
Hardi,	10	125	Bayonne,	0	0	Tweed	28	200	W. Paffon	0	0	Ditto.
Duc de Biron,	20	129	Dunkirk,	0	0	Argeo	28	200	Rd. King	0	0	Ditto, had 7 ranf. on board.
Admiral,	12	65	Ditto,	0	0	Milford	28	200	R. Man	0	0	Ditto.
Eclairci,	14	122	Bayonne,	0	0	Minerva	32	220	A. Flood.	0	0	Ditto.
Quimper,	8	65	Ditto,	0	0	Archimida	32	220	Hon. R. Vane	0	0	Ditto.
Bolawen,	10	80	St Malo,	0	0	Liverpool	28	200	Rd. Knight	0	0	Ditto.
Revenge,	6	62	Dieppe,	2	5	Scorpion sloop	14	100	T. Hallum	0	0	Ditto.
Chevert,	18	160	Dunkirk,	0	0	Hunter cutter	8	40	Lieut. Jarvis	0	1	Do. a gallant action, the priv. making a stout resistance.
Loup,	12	70	Ditto,	0	0	{Solebay and	28	200	{Dalrymple	0	0	{Purchased by Government,
Colibri,	16	110	Ditto,	0	0	{Amazon	26	200	{B. Keith	0	0	{and called the Pomona.
Amarante,	18	137	St Malo,	0	0	Badger sloop	14	100	— Scott	0	0	Sold, had 5 ranf. on board.
Henry,	12	65	Bayonne,	0	0	Dance	40	250	H. Martin	0	0	Ditto, had 3 ranf. on board.
						Mars	74	600	Ja. Young	0	0	Ditto, had 1 ranf. on board.
						Dorsetshire	70	540	J. Campbell	0	0	Ditto.

This year, like the former, the enemy had very few trading ships of their own nation at sea. The captures made from them amounted only to one hundred and seventy-seven, including privateers. To these we must add, of Royal ships, no less than six of the line, and eight frigates.

Our loss appears enormous, the enemy having taken eight hundred and fourteen vessels. Few of them, it is true, were of any considerable value, except the *Ajax* East India ship, Captain Lindsay, who was killed in the action with the *Prothée* of sixty-four guns. She was homeward bound from Bengal, and valued at 200,000 l.

The only Royal vessel taken by the enemy this year, was the *Speedwell* cutter. She was captured by the *L'Achille*, in the harbour of Vigo, in Spain; as appeared very plainly to the Court-martial, who tried her Commander, Lieutenant James Allen, on his return to England.

Besides the loss which the Navy sustained in the East Indies, on the 1st of January, the *Biddeford* of twenty guns, commanded by Captain Thomas Gordon, was, on the 30th of December, through the ignorance of the pilot, run on the Hazeborough sand. Captain Gordon, and one half of the crew were drowned.

The Pheasant sloop, Captain Nelson, foundered in the Channel, and all the crew perished.

By the death of that excellent officer the Right Honourable Edward Boscawen, Admiral of the Blue, General of the Marine Forces, one of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and one of his Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, at his seat at Hatchland, in the county of Surry, on the 10th of January this year, and by the removal of Mr Elliot to the Treasury Board, two seats at the Board of Admiralty became vacant; which were filled up by George Bussy Viscount Villiers, and Thomas Pelham, Esq.

Vice-Admiral Pocock was, at the end of this year, promoted to the rank of Admiral of the Blue; and, with Vice-Admiral Saunders, was honoured with the Order of the Bath.

To the Naval and Military transactions of this year, we will add an account of the voyage of our truly illustrious Queen, from Stade to England.

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His Majesty, on the 8th of July, having summoned a Privy Council, made known to them, his most gracious intentions, of demanding in marriage the Princess Charlotte of Mecklenburgh-Strelitz, a princess distinguished by every eminent virtue, and amiable endowment. The Privy Council requested, that his Majesty would be pleased to make his most gracious declaration to them public; which was done accordingly. This news was received with universal joy by all ranks of people.

The Earl Harcourt set out in quality of Ambassador to Strelitz, to demand the Princess in marriage for his Majesty; which being agreed to, a squadron of men of war, commanded by Lord Anson, was ordered to escort her Majesty to England.

The Royal Caroline yacht was newly ornamented; her name was changed to the Royal Charlotte, in honour of our Queen; and the command conferred on Captain Peter Denis.

On the 6th of August, the yachts rendezvoused at Harwich; where, Lord Anson having arrived on the 7th, he hoisted his flag on board the Royal Charlotte; and in the evening made the signal for sailing.

The 8th, the yachts joined the men of war, when the following order in sailing was observed.

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Hazard, 14 guns, Honourable Captain St John.

Lynx, 14 guns, Honourable Captain Keith Sewart. Tartar, 28 guns, Captain J. Knight.

Royal Charlotte yacht, { Lord Anson, Admiral of the fleet.
Captain Peter Denis.

Winchester, 50 guns, Captain J. Hale. Nottingham, 60 guns, Captain S. Marshall.

The other Yachts.

Minerva, 32 guns, Captain Alexander Hood.

Larboard.

Rear.

Starboard.

9th, The weather was stormy from one in the morning, blowing directly on Yarmouth sands: towards noon it became moderate,

moderate, and the fleet stood more out. The Admiral threw out the Winchester's signal to chase to the N. E., when she met with the Baltic fleet, and returned to her station.

13th, Made Haliogolandt.

14th, The Nottingham, Winchester, Minerva, and Tartar, anchored at the Red Buoy, about seven leagues from Cuxhaven; and the remainder of the fleet proceeded to the Elbe.

15th, The yachts came up to Stade, when Lord Anson, the Dutcheſſes of Ancaſter and Hamilton, with their attendants, ſet out to meet the Queen.

22d, The Queen arrived at Stade, and reſted there the 23d.

24th, Being a very fine day, the Queen ſet out from Stade, at half an hour after nine, under a triple diſcharge of the cannon from the ramparts; and at half an hour after ten, was ſaluted by the fort in the creek. At eleven o'clock, ſhe was met by the Admiralty barge, with the royal ſtandard of England flying in the bow, preceded by Lord Anſon's barge, with the union flag in the bow. The Royal Charlotte yacht was dreſſed in the different colours of all nations, to receive her Maſteſty. The moment ſhe came on board, they were all ſtruck in an inſtant, and the royal ſtandard hoisted at the main top-gallant-maſt head, the Admiralty flag at the fore top-gallant-maſt head, and the union flag at the mizen top-gallant-maſt head. Lord Anſon now hoisted his flag on board the Lynx, and gave the ſignal; on which the other ſhips gave a royal ſalute.

25th, The yachts and ſmall ſhips of war ſailed about nine in the morning; came down to Gluckſtade, a Daniſh fort, which did not ſalute. They kept on, and came to an anchor at nine at night.

26th, At four in the morning, weighed anchor and ſailed; were ſaluted by Ritzbattle and Cuxhaven forts, at eight o'clock, which was returned. Here the Queen's brother went aſhorè, and the fleet were pushing out to the Red Buoy; but the wind coming directly ahead, the Admiral returned to Cuxhaven road, and came to an anchor: ſoon after this, they had ſome very heavy ſqualls.

27th, Continued at anchor; ſtrong gales at W.

28th, At five in the morning, ſailed; and at eleven joined

the large ships: they saluted the royal yacht. Lord Anson now hoisted his flag on board the Nottingham.

29th, Blew a storm all night, and the greatest part of the day. Few of the ships but received some damage. The Royal Charlotte yacht outailed the whole fleet. It grew calmer towards night.

30th, Fine weather, light gales. The fleet kept on as good a course as the wind would permit, this and the two following days.

September 2d, Blew very hard all the morning; in the evening, at eight o'clock, saw Flamborough-head, and stood out again to sea, an E. S. E. course.

3d, Fine weather in the morning; squally towards evening.

5th, Stood in for the land again; and in the afternoon, parted company with the large ships.

6th, About noon, the Queen arrived at Harwich. Her Majesty was remarkably well the whole voyage. She set out on her journey for London that evening. Slept the first night at the Earl of Abercorn's at Witham; and next evening, arrived at St James's, and was espoused to his Majesty.

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ALTHOUGH the present set of Ministers had differed in opinion from Mr Pitt, as to an immediate war with Spain; yet, to do them justice, they were by no means inattentive to the naval and military operations, and prosecuted the war with vigour. The public expected much information from his Majesty's speech, at the meeting of the new Parliament, and that the sense of the nation would soon become known. As his Majesty was anxious to learn their real sentiments, the Ministry did not exert their influence in the usual manner at elections, but, in general, left the people to make a free choice of their representatives. The Parliament met on the 3d of November 1761; and the Lord Chancellor signified his Majesty's pleasure to the Commons, that they should return to their own House and choose a Speaker, whom they were desired to present to his Majesty on the 6th. The choice fell on

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Sir John Cust, Baronet, who, on the 6th, was presented to the King in the usual manner; and being approved of, his Majesty addressed both Houses, and informed them, "That at the opening of the first Parliament summoned and elected under his authority, he, with pleasure, took notice of an event which had made him completely happy, and given universal joy to his loving subjects,—his marriage with a Princess eminently distinguished by every virtue and amiable endowment; and which, while it afforded him all possible domestic comfort, could not fail of highly contributing to the happiness of his kingdoms, which had been, and which always should be his first object in every action of his life.

"It had been his earnest wish, he said, that this first period of his reign might be marked with another felicity, the restoring of the blessings of peace to his people, and putting an end to the calamities of war, under which so great a part of Europe suffered. But though overtures had been made to him, and to his good brother and ally the King of Prussia, by the Belligerent Powers, in order to a general pacification, for which purpose a congress was appointed; and propositions had been made by him to France, for a particular peace with that Crown, which were followed by an actual negotiation: yet, that congress had not hitherto taken place; and the negotiation with France was entirely broken off."

Having mentioned the successes which had attended his arms last year, and the great magnanimity of the King of Prussia, he continued: "In this situation, he was glad to have an opportunity of receiving the truest information of the sense of his people, by a new choice of their representatives. He was fully persuaded, they would agree with him in opinion, that the steady exertion of their most vigorous efforts, in every part where the enemy may be attacked with advantage, is the only means that can be productive of such a peace as may with reason be expected from our successes. It was, therefore, his fixed resolution, with their concurrence and support, to carry on the war in the most effectual manner, for the interest and advantage of his kingdoms; and to maintain, to the utmost of his power, the good faith and honour of his Crown, by adhering firmly to the engagements entered into with his allies. In this, he would perse-

severe, until his enemies, moved by their own losses and distresses, and touched with the miseries of so many nations, shall yield to the equitable conditions of an honourable peace; in which case, as well as in the prosecution of the war, he assured them, no consideration whatever should make him depart from the true interests of these his kingdoms, and the honour and dignity of his Crown." Both Houses returned addresses replete with loyalty and kindness.

All that the public learned from the throne was, that the negotiation for peace with France was at an end; and that the war was to be prosecuted with the utmost vigour. With regard to the affairs with Spain, the public remained in suspense till the 26th of December, when the gazette announced a rupture with that kingdom; the Earl of Bristol having been refused any satisfaction to the categorical answer he was desired to ask, relative to certain engagements, offensive to Great Britain, supposed to have been contracted between the Courts of Madrid and Versailles. On the 4th of January, war was declared against Spain in London, and letters of reprisal issued. And on the 18th of the same month, war was declared against Great Britain at Madrid. (See Note 183.)

The Parliament met on the 19th of January, after the recesses for the Christmas holidays. The same day the King went to the House of Peers; and, in a speech to both Houses, informed them, "That since their recess, it was with concern he had been indispensably obliged to declare war against Spain; and that the causes which gave rise to this measure, were set forth in his public declaration on the occasion. His conduct, he said, to the King of Spain, ever since his accession to the throne, had been so friendly, that it was matter of the greatest surprize to him, to find, that engagements had, in this conjuncture, been entered into between that Crown and France, and a treaty made to unite all the branches of the House of Bourbon, in a most ambitious and dangerous design against the commerce and independence of the rest of Europe, and particularly of his kingdoms. That whatever colours may be endeavoured to be put upon these injurious proceedings of the Court of Madrid, he had nothing to reproach himself with; and though he had left nothing untried, that could have prevented this rupture, he

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thought it necessary to prepare against every event. He therefore relied on the divine blessing, on the justness of his cause, on the zealous and powerful assistance of his faithful subjects, and on the concurrence of his allies, who must find themselves involved in the pernicious and extensive projects of his enemies;" and concluded, by saying, "I leave these considerations with you, full of the justest confidence, that the honour of my Crown, and the interests of my kingdoms, are safe in your hands." To this speech, both Houses returned most affectionate addresses, approving of his Majesty's conduct, assuring him of their support, and that they would stand by him with their lives and fortunes. The conduct of Mr Pitt, on this occasion, did him the greatest honour. The defence he made, was as masterly a piece of eloquence as ever was delivered in the House: it carried conviction along with it, and glowed with the genuine flame of patriotism. And it surely was no small compliment paid to his abilities and penetration, that the present Administration had found themselves necessitated to adopt the very measure he had so strongly urged in vain to them, and the rejection of which had obliged him to withdraw from the service of the public.

The estimates of the current year having been all settled before the rupture with Spain, no demand was made on the public on that account; but some of the old servants of the Crown, not being pleased with the measures resolved on in the Cabinet, or thinking themselves neglected, resigned their employments. The Duke of Newcastle was among the first; who was succeeded as First Lord Commissioner of the Treasury, by the Earl of Bute, who brought in with him many who were thought to be swayed by principles different from those of the late Administration. This gave much offence to that party, and was the means of raising up the baneful spirit of faction, which raged for a considerable time with the greatest violence throughout the kingdom. When the annual treaty with the King of Prussia came to be renewed at the beginning of this year, the Ministry insisted that the article hitherto inserted, by which Great Britain bound herself not to conclude a peace without the consent of that Monarch, should be left out entirely. To this his Prussian Majesty would not agree. The subsidy of 670,000*l.* was proffered; but, without the article before mentioned,

mentioned, he would not accept of it. In the course of the session, seventy thousand seamen were voted for the service of the current year; and the sum total of the supplies voted by Parliament, amounted to 18,299,153*l*. (See Note 184.)

Since the war with Spain was become inevitable, the Ministry resolved to push it on with vigour. His Majesty, in his speech to both Houses on the 19th of January, having hinted, that in consequence of the determination of the Court of Spain, his allies would be involved in the calamities of war, and that it was found that the King of Portugal was to be attacked by the confederated Monarchs, on the most frivolous pretences; it was now determined, to send powerful succours to his Portuguese Majesty. Lord Tyrawley was appointed Ambassador to the Court of Lisbon, and Commander in Chief of the British forces destined for this service. He immediately set out for Portugal, in order to concert with the King and his Ministers, the proper measures to be adopted on this occasion. He was soon after followed by the Earl of Loudoun, who was appointed second in command, and who brought along with him a considerable number of land forces. (See Note 174.) The great body of infantry which had been ordered from North America, in order to reduce the French Caribbee Islands, which service was now supposed to have been performed, the Ministry were determined to reinforce with a body of troops from England, who, after garrisoning the newly conquered islands, were to proceed without loss of time, and attack the city of Havana. The command of the army destined for this service, was bestowed on Lieutenant-General the Earl of Albemarle. The command of the squadron was given to Admiral Sir George Peacock, who had so greatly distinguished himself in the course of this war in the East Indies, having under him Commodore Keppel, brother to the Earl of Albemarle. While the Spaniards were thus assailed in the West Indies, an expedition, under the command of Brigadier-General Draper, was sent against the Philippine islands in the East Indies. On the death of Admiral Holmes, Sir James Douglas was appointed to command at Jamaica; Rear-Admiral Rodney commanded the squadron at the Leeward islands; and Commodore Lord Colvill that in North America, where, contrary to expectation, he had very active service to perform with a very small force. Immediately on the

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rupture with Spain, Commodore Sir Piercy Brett was sent with a strong reinforcement of ships to Sir Charles Saunders in the Mediterranean. Sir Edward Hawke, having under him Rear-Admiral his Royal Highness the Duke of York, cruized on the coasts of Spain and Portugal. The same squadron likewise went on a second cruize, under the command of Sir Charles Hardy, and the Duke of York. In the beginning of the year, a squadron cruized off Brest, under the command of Commodore Spry, who was relieved on this station by Commodore Man. At the same period also, Commodore Lord Viscount Howe commanded in Basque road, on which station he was relieved by Commodore Denis. Commodore Young commanded in the Channel; Admiral Holburne at Portsmouth; and Commodore Moore in the Downs. Such was the distribution of the navy this year.

On the 6th of June, died that illustrious officer George Lord Anson, Admiral and Commander in Chief of the fleet, and First Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty. Now that the rage and malevolence of party spirit has had time to subside, this great man appears in very shining colours; and although born of an ancient family, yet it was his merit alone that raised him to the high honours which he attained. The fame which he acquired in his voyage round the world, in which he shewed an equanimity of mind equal to the numberless perils and dangers which he encountered, will, while the English language lasts, never cease to be remembered; and on this voyage, the prudence, perseverance, good conduct, humanity, and courage, which he displayed, would alone have been sufficient to have made his fortune, and raised him to a great degree of eminence in the Naval Annals of Great Britain, if no other circumstance had come to his aid. On his return home, he was promoted to a flag; and on the 3d of May 1747, he defeated and took six French ships of war, and was soon after raised to the peerage. The Navy of this country is particularly indebted to him, for training to the service so many excellent officers, whilst on board the *Centurion*, on his voyage round the world. The names of Sir Charles Saunders, Sir Piercy Brett, Lord Viscount Keppel, Sir Peter Denis, Baronet, Robert Hughes, John Campbell, William Langdon and Philip Samaurez, Esqrs. will,

will, for the services they performed, be ever revered by their country. And it is not a little extraordinary, that all the above Lieutenants should live to attain flags, except the last, who, after giving many distinguished proofs of his courage and good seamanship, was killed fighting for his King and country, October 14th, 1747, being then Captain of the Nottingham of sixty guns.

Lord Anson's place at the Admiralty Board was supplied by the Earl of Halifax, who remained but a short time in this office; for, being soon after appointed one of his Majesty's principal Secretaries of State, the Honourable George Grenville was, October 16th, 1762, made First Lord of the Admiralty.

October 21st, this year, his Majesty was pleased to order a promotion of Flag-officers, and also to promote twelve Captains to the rank of Rear-Admirals, which made the whole rank as follows:

Sir William Rowley, K. B.	}	Admirals of the White.
Isaac Townsend, Esq;		
*Henry Osborne, Esq;		
*Thomas Griffin, Esq;		
*Sir Edward Hawke, K. B.		
Charles Knowles, Esq;	}	Admirals of the Blue.
Hon. John Forbes,		
Sir George Pocock, K. B.		
Hon. Geo. Townshend,	}	Vice-Admirals of the Red.
Francis Holburne, Esq;		
*Thomas Cotes, Esq;		
*Thomas Frankland, Esq;		
Lord Harry Powlett,	}	Vice-Admirals of the White.
Harry Norris, Esq;		
*Thomas Broderick Esq;		
*Sir Charles Hardy, Knt.		
*George Earl of Northesk,		
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Thomas Pye, Esq;	}	Vice-Admirals of the Blue.
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Samuel Cornish, Esq;		
Francis Geary, Esq;		
George Bridges Rodney, Esq;		
H. R. H. Edw. Duke of York,		

Sir William Burnaby, Knt.	}	Rear Admirals of the Red.
James Young, Esq;		
Sir Piercy Brett, Knt.		
John Moore, Esq;		

Richard Tyrrell,	}	Rear-Admirals of the White.
Alexander Lord Colvill,		
Sir James Douglas Knt.†		
William Gordon, Esq;		

George Lord Edgecumbe,	}	Rear-Admirals of the Blue.
Robert Swanton, Esq;		
Samuel Graves, Esq; ‡		
Hon. Augustus Keppel,		

The Admirals marked thus *, were those promoted on this occasion.

Captain Sir Thomas Stanhope, Knight, succeeded Sir Piercy Brett, and Captain the Honourable Augustus John Hervey succeeded the Honourable Augustus Keppel, as Colonels of Marines.

The death of Lord Anson occasioned the following promotions to take place: Admiral Sir William Rowley, K. B. was appointed Admiral and Commander in Chief of the Fleet, and Admiral Henry Osborne, Vice-Admiral of Great Britain, (both these in room of Lord Anson): and Admiral Sir Edward Hawke, K. B. was appointed Rear-Admiral of Great Britain, in room of Sir William Rowley, K. B.

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† In 1764, Sir John Bentley resigned his office as Extra-Commissioner of the Navy, and was promoted to his flag, and took rank after Sir James Douglas.

‡ In the beginning of 1763, Captain William Parry was promoted to his flag, and took rank after Rear-Admiral S. Graves.

EAST INDIES.

REAR-ADMIRAL CORNISH continued to command his Majesty's squadron in the East Indies, where the French having now neither settlements nor trade, he was at full liberty to direct his whole force against the Spaniards; and he soon received instructions in what manner to proceed. Colonel Draper, who distinguished himself by his gallant behaviour at the siege of Madras in 1759, being soon after obliged to quit India, on account of bad health, embarked on board the *Winchelsea* East India ship, commanded by the Honourable Thomas Howe, and with him made a voyage to Canton in China. While there, he had an opportunity of learning the exact state of the Spanish settlements at the Philippine Islands, (See Note 185.); and found that the Spaniards, considering an attack on them as an impracticable thing, trusted more to their very remote situation from Europe, than to their real strength. When a rupture with Spain was rumoured, he laid the information he had received respecting the Spanish Asiatic settlements, together with his own observations, before Lord Egremont and Anson, who viewed the whole in a very important light, and requested that Colonel Draper would draw up a memorial respecting the matter, and point out what force could be detached from India to put in practice his plan of reducing the Philippine islands. In this work, he met with great assistance from Captain Howe. The memorial was laid before his Majesty and the Cabinet Council, who approving it, resolved, when hostilities became unavoidable, to carry it into immediate execution. As the success of this enterprise depended solely on the secrecy and dispatch with which it was carried on, and as the great distance made it impossible to send a body of troops sufficient for this service from Europe, the attempt was considered rather as a coup de main. Immediately on the declaration of war against Spain, Colonel Draper was dispatched to India in the *Argo* frigate, commanded by Captain Richard King. He carried out very ample orders and instructions for proceeding against Manila, and was himself ap-
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pointed Commander in Chief of the land forces, with the rank of Brigadier-General. (See Note 185.) As the journal which he transmitted to the Secretary of State contains the best account of the proceedings of the army before Manila, we here take the liberty to insert it verbatim.

"JOURNAL of the Proceedings of his MAJESTY'S FORCES on an Expedition against MANILA.

"THE troops allotted for this enterprize, were the 79th regiment; a company of the Royal artillery. The auxiliaries furnished by the gentlemen at Madras, consisting of thirty of their artillery, six hundred Sepoys, a company of Caffres, one of Topazes, and one of pioneers; to which they added the precarious assistance of two companies of Frenchmen, enlisted in their service, with some hundreds of unarmed lascars, for the use of the engineers, and park of artillery. As a compensation for this feeble supply of men, they favoured us with some very good officers in every branch of the service. Rear-Admiral Cornish reinforced our little army with a fine battalion of five hundred and fifty seamen, and two hundred and seventy marines; so that the whole force for the land operations amounted to two thousand three hundred men, who, with the necessary stores, were embarked on board his Majesty's Squadron, and two India ships employed as transports, with an activity and dispatch that did great honour to all concerned in those arrangements. The preparations were begun, completed, and shipped in three weeks, through a raging and almost perpetual surf, by which some lives were lost.

"As Major-General Lawrence was of opinion that the settlements would be in danger, were more forces drawn from the coast, the two battalions of the Company's troops, all the cavalry, six thousand Sepoys, with that part of Colonel Munro's and the Highlanders then at Madras, were left for their security. The Medway, York, and Chatham, that were hourly expected, had orders left them to remain for the protection of the trade. We sailed with the Admiral's division the 1st of August. The Seahorse, Captain Grant, was previously dis-

patched through the Straits of Malacca, to the entrance of the China-sea, to stop all vessels that might be bound to Manila, or sent from any of our neighbouring settlements, to give the Spaniards notice of the design. Commodore Tiddeman, with the first division of the fleet, and the troops under Colonel Monson, sailed two days before us, that our watering might more speedily be completed at Malacca, where we arrived the 19th of August. We there bought a large quantity of rattan to make gabions, a good number of which was finished on board the several ships. The 27th, we sailed for our second rendezvous, off the island of Timon: the necessary signals and instructions were then given out for landing on the coast of Luconia.

“On the 23d of September, we anchored in Manila-bay, and soon found that our visit was unexpected; the Spaniards unprepared. To increase as much as possible the visible confusion and consternation of the enemy, we determined to lose no time in the attack of Port Cavite, that was at first intended, but proceed directly to the grand object, judging that our conquest there would of course occasion and draw after it the fall of Cavite. On the morning of the 24th, we sent an ineffectual summons to the town, and, with the Admiral and other principal officers, examined the coast, in order to fix upon a proper spot for landing the troops, artillery and stores. We found a most convenient place about two miles to the south of Manila. Accordingly all the boats were immediately prepared by the proper signals: and three frigates, the *Argo*, Captain King; the *Seahorse*, Captain Grant; and the *Seaford*, Captain Peighin, were sent in very near the shore to cover the descent. The seventy-ninth regiment, a detachment of artillery, with three field pieces, and one howitzer fixed on the long-boats, assembled in three divisions under their sterns: the left commanded by Colonel Monson; the centre by me, with Lieutenant-Colonel Scott, the Adjutant-General; the right, by Major More, the eldest Field Officer. As we had determined to land near a church, and village called Malabon, that was opposite our left, the two other divisions, which had been separated only to distract and amuse the enemy, were ordered to join that as soon as possible. About six in the even-

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ing, we pushed with an even front for the shore, under the prudent and skilful management of Captains Parker of the Grafton, Kempenfelt the Admiral's Captain, and Brereton of the Falmouth, who had the direction of the boats. The frigates kept up a brisk fire to the right and left of us, to protect our flanks, and disperse the enemy, who were beginning to assemble in great numbers, both horse and foot, to oppose our descent. This cannonade had the desired effect. They retired, and left us a clear coast. But a violent surf arose, many boats were dashed to pieces, our arms and ammunition much damaged: providentially no lives were lost. We formed upon the beach, marched, and took possession of the Malata; fixed our out-posts, and passed the whole night under arms. The Spaniards were employed in burning part of their suburbs.

"The 25th, we seized a fort which the Spaniards had abandoned, named the Polverista, which proved a most excellent place of arms, for covering the landing of our stores, and securing our communication with the squadron. Colonel Monson, who was detached with two hundred men to view the roads and approaches to Manila, occupied the Hermita church, large and commodious, about nine hundred yards from the city. We made the priest's house the head-quarters; sent orders to Major More to march up with the seventy-ninth regiment to secure and maintain this post, which was of the utmost consequence, both from its strength, and the great cover it afforded us from the rains that had deluged the country, and made it impossible to encamp; for we too soon found that the monsoon had broke upon us. The surf continued dangerous, the rains increased; the landing of our artillery and stores became very hazardous; our remaining troops were put ashore with much peril, and some loss; Lieutenant Hardwick was drowned. But the courage and activity of the seamen surmounted all obstacles. They got on shore part of the Sepoys, some provisions, and such stores as were first wanted; and by signals demanded aid from the squadron, the officers of which were indefatigable in giving us all possible assistance; and Captain Jocelyn, who was intrusted with the care of the disembarkation, did every thing that could be wished or expected from a diligent and good officer. We left our marines at our first post, the

the Malata, to be near the Polverista, to preserve our communication, and guard our stores and park of artillery. The men, from the good conduct and example of their officers, behaved very well, and were of great use upon all occasions. As the rains had forced us to seek the protection of the houses that were under the fire of the bastions, the Spaniards cannonaded our quarters, which were much nearer the walls than the usual rules of war prescribe. They attempted likewise to burn most of their suburbs, but were prevented by the great activity and good conduct of Captain Fletcher, Major of brigade, and Captains Stevenfon and Cotsford, engineers; who having advanced under cover of the houses to St Jago's church, near the sea, and within three hundred yards of the town, reported its importance so sensibly, that we posted a body of men there, notwithstanding its contiguity to the bastions. The enemy soon fired upon us, but not with perseverance or effect enough to dislodge us. We had some few men killed and wounded.

"26th, The Admiral sent on shore the battalion of seamen, under the command of Captains Collins of the Weymouth, Pitchford of the America, and George Ourry from the Panther. They were cantoned between the seventy-ninth regiment and the marines. The rest of the Company's troops, of all sorts, were likewise landed, and put under cover. The Spaniards advanced out of the garrison, under the command of the Chevalier Fayette, with four hundred men, and two field-pieces; and from a church about two hundred yards to the right of that we yesterday took possession of, near the sea, began a cannonade upon the right flank of our post. Some Sepoys, under Ensign Carty, who behaved very well, were first sent to skirmish with them, supported by three piquets of the seventy-ninth regiment, and one hundred seamen, all under the command of Colonel Monson, who soon drove the enemy back into the town. In their precipitate flight, one of the field-pieces was left upon the glacis.

"The superior skill and bravery of our people were so evident from this affair, that it occasioned a second summons to the Governor; but to no purpose: their answer was much more spirited than their conduct had been. Colonel Monson had orders to keep possession of this second church, if he found

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it tenable ; for, as we had not men enough, or dry ground, to make regular approaches, we were forced into these measures, rash as they seem, and contrary to all the rules of our profession, by our critical situation. From the top of this post, which we called No. 2. we had a perfect view of the enemy's works. The front we were obliged to attack, was defended by the bastions of St Diego and St Andrew, with orillons and retired flanks, a ravelin which covered the royal gate, a wet ditch, covered-way, and glacis. The bastions were in excellent order, lined with a great number of fine brass cannon ; but their ravelin was not armed, the covered-way out of repair, the glacis by much too low, and the ditch was not produced round the capital of the bastion of St Diego, which determined us to attack it, and make our dispositions accordingly. The negligence and omission of the enemy to post centinels in the covered-way, gave us an opportunity of founding the ditch ; which perilous enterprize was effected by a small party of the seventy-ninth regiment, under the command of Captain Fletcher, who begged leave to undertake it. The Spaniards fired from their bastion, and killed or wounded two or three of our people. The depth of the water was only five feet, the breadth about thirty yards. As the great extent of this populous city made it impossible for us to invest it with our handful of men, two sides were constantly open to the Spaniards, to introduce supplies of men and provisions, and carry out their effects. They availed themselves of our weakness. Their own garrison, of eight hundred men of the royal regiment, under the command of the Marquis de Villa Medina, Brigadier General, was augmented by a body of ten thousand Indians from the province of Pampanga, a fierce and barbarous people. These disadvantages were not to be remedied, as we could not take possession of Minondo, Tondo, and La Vera Cruz, the posts which commanded the river, and communication with the country. The inundations had secured their Parian suburb ; but no difficulties could check the ardour of the troops, who laboured incessantly in making fascines and gabions, and in preparing every thing for the construction and opening of the batteries. One for small shells was completed this night, and played upon the bastion of St Diego. Its position was behind the

the church nearest the sea, called No. 1. The officers of the artillery, and engineers, exerted themselves in a manner that nothing but their zeal for the public service could have inspired.

" 27th, The Governor sent out a flag of truce to apologize for some barbarities committed by the savages lately mentioned, who had murdered some straggling seamen, and to request that a nephew of his, taken in the bay, might be sent on shore. This gentleman had been dispatched from the Phillipina galleon, just arrived on the coast from Acapulco, with the first advices of the war. Hostilities ceased until eleven at night, when we recommenced our fire from the mortars, increased them to four, and placed a six-pounder on our left flank, as a further security to our post at St Jago's church. As the capture of the galleon, and her treasure, might be well esteemed a national object, Mr Cornish proposed sending the Panther and Argo from the Squadron, to intercept her, which was consented to; and the officers of the Navy very generously agreed to our sharing any prizes that might be taken this cruize, as we had before consented to their sharing with us in any booty that might be taken at land; and the distribution to be made according to the rules his Majesty had fixed for the sea service. The Admiral likewise sent on shore, eight twenty-four pounders, ship guns, and two eighteen-pounders for our battering train; as, to save time, we brought only the land-carriages and platforms from Madras.

" 28th, The Governor's nephew was landed: my Secretary, Lieutenant Fryar, was ordered to conduct him into the town with a flag of truce. In the mean time, a large party of the garrison, intermixed with Indians, sallied out to attack our second post, at No. 2. by which Lieutenant Fryar was advancing to the Ravelin-gate. The barbarians, without respecting his character, inhumanly murdered him, and mangled his body in a manner too shocking to mention. In their fury, they mortally wounded the other gentleman, who had endeavoured to save Mr Fryar. Our party received their onset with much firmness and bravery, and repulsed them with some loss on their side. As it was evident that the Indians alone were guilty of this horrid piece of barbarity, our soldiers shewed them no mercy.

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" 20th, The Admiral, at my request, ordered the Elizabeth, Commodore Tiddeman, and the Falmouth, Captain Brereton, to place themselves as near the town as the depth of water would permit, and second our operations, by enfilading the front we intended to attack; but the shallows kept them at too great a distance to answer the purpose effectually, though their shot struck much confusion and terror into the inhabitants. We continued our bombardment day and night.

" 30th, The engineers traced out Admiral Cornith's battery, for eight twenty-four pounders, on the left of St Jago's church; but the violence of the rains retarded our progress; and the absence of two ships that had on board a considerable quantity of fascines, and many working and intrenching-tools, put us to some inconveniences. The Admiral's goodness supplied these defects: all the smiths and carpenters in the fleet were employed in making those instruments; and, by their industry and dispatch, we were enabled to proceed. The Elizabeth and Falmouth persevered in their cannonade upon the town; which was returned from the enemy's sea line, without any effect.

" October 1st and 2d, The weather grew so very tempestuous, that the whole squadron was in danger, and all communication with it entirely cut off. The violence of the storm forced the South-Sea-Castle store-ship (which was lately arrived) from her anchors, and drove her ashore: even in this situation, the ship was of great use. Captain Sherwood enfiladed the whole beach to the southward, and kept in awe a large body of Indians, who menaced the Polverista, and our magazines at the Malata. Notwithstanding the deluge of rain which accompanied the wind, by the perseverance of the troops and seamen, we completed the battery for the twenty-four pounders, raised a mortar-battery for the heavy shells of ten and thirteen inches, made a good parallel and communication from the church to the gun-battery, and established a spacious place of arms on the left of it, near the sea. The roaring of the waves prevented the enemy from hearing the noise of our workmen in the night. They gave us no interruption, but seemed to trust entirely to the elements; while the Governor (the Archbishop) gave out, that an angel from the Lord was gone forth to destroy us like the host of Sennacherib. On the afternoon of

the 2d, the seamen, with wonderful activity, brought up, and mounted all the guns in the battery, which we masked.

" 3d, The weather became moderate. At day-light, the battery was opened against the left face of the bastion of St Diego, towards the salient angle. One hundred seamen were appointed to assist the corps of artillery in this service. Our cannon, by the excellent skill and management of Major Barker, and the officers under him, were served with such justness, quickness, and dexterity, that the twelve pieces on that face of the bastion, were silenced in a few hours, and the Spaniards drove from them. We had but two men killed. At night we began a battery for three guns, on the left of our place of arms, to silence those that were en barbette, upon the orillon of the bastion of St Andrew, which annoyed our flank. We maintained a brisk fire of grape and musketry all the night, to prevent the enemy from repairing their embrasures, and remounting their cannon. The mortars (now augmented to seven) were kept constantly playing upon the gorge of the bastion and the contiguous defences.

" 4th, About three hours before day, a thousand of the Indians attacked the cantonment of the seamen. They were encouraged to this attempt by the incessant rains, in which they flattered themselves our fire-arms would be useless. Their approach was favoured by a number of thick bushes that grew upon the side of a rivulet, which they passed in the night, and, by keeping close, eluded the vigilance of the patrols. Upon the alarm, Colonel Monson and Captain Fletcher, with piquets, were dispatched to the assistance of the seamen, who very sensibly kept firm in their posts, and were contented to repulse them till day-break; when a fresh piquet of the seventy-ninth regiment appearing upon the Indians' right flank, they fled, and were pursued and dispersed with the loss of three hundred men. Had their skill or weapons been equal to their strength and ferocity, it might have cost us dear. Although armed chiefly with bows and arrows and lances, they advanced up to the very muzzles of our pieces, repeated their assaults, and died like wild beasts, gnawing the bayonets. This attack cost us some few men; but we lost an excellent sea-officer, Captain Porter, Lieutenant of the Norfolk, sincerely and justly

ly regretted. Another attack was made in it, and they killed a few, but they were entirely exhausted. Advancing to the post, they were at last driven off. Pieces, the day after, their relief, and about seventy-wounded. Was the hundred, working a little in the spirit of giving the riages, in from three have much.

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ly regretted by us all. We had scarce finished this affair, when another body of them, with part of the Spanish garrison, again attacked the church, No. 2.; forced the Sepoys from their post in it, nearest the town; took possession of the top, from whence they killed and wounded several of our people, who were entirely exposed to all their weapons. Notwithstanding this disadvantageous situation, the European soldiers maintained their post behind the church with great firmness and patience, and at last dislodged the enemy with the assistance of some field-pieces, and the good conduct of Major Fell, Field-Officer of the day, Captain Fletcher, and other brave officers, sent to their relief. The Spaniards left seventy dead behind them, in and about the church. On our side, Captain Strachan of the seventy-ninth regiment, a very good officer, was mortally wounded, and forty private men killed and wounded. This was the enemy's last effort: all their Indians, except eighteen hundred, discouraged by their losses, returned home. Our working parties, and the fire of our batteries, which had been a little interrupted by these attacks, recommenced with greater spirit than ever. We found likewise the good effects of giving the enemy no time to repair their embrasures, or carriages, in the night. They opened only an inconsiderable fire from three or four embrasures in the curtain, too oblique to have much effect. Before night, those defences were ruined.

"5th, Major Barker's fire was so violent, that the breach appeared practicable. Our cannon from the three gun battery silenced those of the enemy, on the orillon of St Andrew. We were in hopes that the Spaniards would be sensible of their danger, and think of giving up the town. But they were obstinate, without bravery, or any generous resolution of defending the breach. In the evening, the design of storming the place, was communicated to the principal officers of each department only, and the necessary preparations made.

"6th, At four o'clock in the morning, we filed off from our quarters in small bodies, to give the less suspicion; and, by degrees, assembled at St Jago's church, observing the utmost silence, and concealing ourselves in the place of arms, and the parallel between the church and the battery. Major Barker kept up a brisk fire upon the works, and those places

where the enemy might be lodged or intrenched. Our mortars were well applied for the same purpose. At day-break, we discerned a large body of the Spaniards, formed on the bastion of St Andrew, which gave us reason to imagine they had got some information of our design, and intended to annoy us with their musketry and grape from the retired flank of that bastion, where they had still two cannon placed; but, upon the explosion of some shells that fell amongst them, they went off. We took immediate advantage of this, and by the signal of a general discharge of our artillery and mortars, rushed on to the assault, under cover of a thick smoke that blew directly upon the town. Sixty volunteers of different corps, under Lieutenant Ruffel of the seventy-ninth regiment, led the way, supported by the grenadiers of that regiment. The engineers, with the pioneers, and other workmen, to clear and enlarge the breach and make lodgements, in case the enemy should have been too strongly intrenched in the gorge of the bastion, followed. Colonel Monson and Major More were at the head of two grand divisions of the seventy-ninth regiment: the battalion of seamen advanced next, sustained by the other two divisions of the seventy-ninth regiment. The Company's troops closed the rear. They all mounted the breach with amazing spirit and rapidity. The few Spaniards upon the bastion dispersed so suddenly, that it was thought they depended upon their mines. Captain Stevenfon had orders to make a strict search to discover them; but our precautions were needless. We met with little resistance, except at the Royal gate, and from the galleries of the lofty houses which surround the great square. In the guard-house, over the Royal gate, a hundred of the Spaniards and Indians, who would not surrender, were put to the sword. Three hundred more, according to the enemy's account, were drowned in attempting to escape over the river; which was very deep and rapid. The Governor and the principal officers retired to the citadel; and were glad to surrender as prisoners at discretion, as that place was in no good posture of defence. Captain Dupont of the seventy-ninth with a hundred men, took possession of it. The Marquis of Villa Medina, with the rest of the Spanish officers, were admitted as prisoners of war, on their parole of honour;

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honour; and to conciliate the affections of the natives, all the Indians who fell into our hands, were dismissed in safety. Our joy, upon this fortunate event, was greatly clouded by the loss of Major More, who was transfixt with an arrow near the Royal gate, and died immediately, universally lamented for his good qualities. Captain Sleigh of the grenadiers, and some other good officers, were wounded. We had about thirty private men killed and wounded.

"In consequence of the terms dictated to the Spaniards, (See Note 185.) the port of Cavite and citadel, with several large ships, and a vast quantity of warlike and naval stores, were surrendered to us. Captain Champion, with a hundred marines, and as many Sepoys, embarked on board the Seahorse, to take possession of it. The Spanish garrison, of three hundred men, on the approach of our people, mutinied against their officers, plundered some houses, and went off into the country with their arms.

"As a small acknowledgment of the great services which the whole army had received from Captain Kempenfelt, the Admiral's Captain, I begged he would act at Cavite, with a commission as Governor for his Majesty; being well assured, that no one could discharge that trust with more conduct and abilities."

Before General Draper made any terms with the Governor, he waited the arrival of Admiral Cornish, who was immediately sent for; and besides the proposals made by the Government, an agreement was entered into, to save the city of Manila from being pillaged; to which it was liable, having been taken by storm, (See Note 185.) Considering the critical situation, and vast opulence of the place, the terms were much more reasonable than people in their situation could well have expected. In consideration of the aid afforded to this expedition by the East India Company, a third part of the ransom, which in all amounted to one million Sterling, was assigned to them; and, agreeable to his orders, General Draper delivered up Manila and its dependencies, (November 2d,) to Dawson Drake, Esq; and the other gentlemen appointed to receive them on the part of the East India Company; together with all the artillery,

tillery, ammunition, and warlike stores, of which there was a very great quantity, (See Note 185.)

The extent of the city of Manila being so great, and the citadel of Cavite requiring a garrison, General Draper was necessitated to leave the whole of the military force he brought with him, for the security of the place. He appointed Major Fell of the seventy-ninth regiment, Commandant of the garrison. At Cavite, the Admiral found a plentiful supply of all sorts of naval stores, and conveniences for refitting the squadron. Nothing redounds more to the honour of the forces employed on this enterprize, than the strict harmony which prevailed between the two services; the great fatigues that both cheerfully underwent in the course of the siege, and the attention which the Naval officers paid to the troops while ashore, deserves the highest praise. The bravery and activity of the sailors astonished every one. While such unanimity and cordiality subsists among a determined and resolute band, what may they not achieve? And to this glorious circumstance this important conquest is chiefly owing; for throughout the whole of this victorious war, no conjunct expedition has been conducted with more resolution and professional skill, than the conquest of the Philippine Islands. It reflects the greatest honour on all employed. Their success appears scarcely credible. With a handful of troops they carried on a siege, amid deluges of rain, and such furious tempests of wind, that all communication between the fleet and army was frequently cut off. After ten days operations, to carry the town by assault, is a military exploit almost without a parallel; especially when it is considered, that besides a strong garrison in a town fortified after the modern manner, and the elements to contend with, they were surrounded by numerous bodies of Indians in strict alliance with the Spaniards, who, though undisciplined and badly armed, yet, by a daring resolution and contempt of death, became not only troublesome, but formidable.

Had the Spaniards acted with a resolution and military skill equal to their obstinacy, and instead of attending to the prayers and prophecies of the Archbishop the Governor, who, in the midst of the hurricane, declared that the angel of the Lord had gone forth to destroy the enemy, like the host of Sennacherib; but entrenched themselves strongly in the gorges of the

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The stranding of the South-Sea-Castle store ship, instead of a misfortune, proved quite the contrary. By the situation in which she lay, her guns not only protected the rear of our cantonments, but scoured the beach for a considerable length, and made several bodies of the Indians keep a respectful distance; while, from being so very near the shore, the provisions and stores she had on board were landed with great facility, and afforded a seasonable supply to the soldiers, at a time when the weather had for some days interrupted all communication between the fleet and the army.

During the violent tempest on the 1st of October, the whole squadron, but particularly the Elizabeth and Falmouth, were in great danger; the gale blowing from W. S. W. directly on the shore, and they being anchored in four fathom water, in order to batter and enfilade the town. They struck the ground; but the bottom being mud, and soft to a considerable depth, neither of them received any injury. A galley being perceived coming up the bay on the 25th of September, the Admiral dispatched three boats manned and armed after her. They came up with, and instantly boarded and took her, notwithstanding she kept up a smart fire with patteraroes and muskets. She mounted two carriage and seventeen brass swivel guns, and had eighty men.

By letters found in her, it was discovered that she was dispatched from the galleon St Philippina, from Acapulco, and whom she had left the 10th of September at Cajayagan, between the Embocadero and Cape Spiritu Santu. Upon this discovery, it was resolved to detach the Panther and Argo, under the command of Captain Hyde Parker, in quest of her. They sailed accordingly on the 4th of October, and on the 20th got the length of the island of Capul, near the entrance of the Embocadero*, where the Argo had come to an anchor, and which Captain Parker intended to do for that night: but, just as the day closed, he saw a sail standing to the northward; he

* The Embocadero is the strait, or passage among the Philippine islands, through which the galleon sails in her voyage to and from the city of Manila.

he followed; and at eight that night got sight of her again about two leagues to leeward; but unluckily, by the rapidity of a counter current to what the chase was in, the Panther drove among the Narango's, was in the utmost danger of being lost, and obliged to anchor. The Argo having escaped the danger, got up with the chase, and engaged her near two hours; but was so roughly handled, that Captain King was necessitated to bring to, in order to repair his damages. By this time the current slackened, which enabled Captain Parker to get under sail, with the chase in sight. About nine the next morning, he came up with her, and, after battering her for two hours within half musket-shot, she struck. The enemy made but a poor resistance, trusting to the immense thickness of the sides of their ship, which, except the upper works, the Panther's shot was not able to penetrate. Captain Parker was no less disappointed than surprized, to find, when the General came on board, that he had engaged and taken the Santissimo Trinidad, alias the Poderoso, who departed from Manila the 1st of August for Acapulco, and had got three hundred leagues to the eastward of the Embocadero, but meeting with a hard gale of wind, was dismasted, and put back to refit. She had eight hundred men on board; was pierced for sixty guns; but when engaged by the Argo, had only six of them mounted, and but thirteen when taken: she was a great deal larger than the Panther, and drew thirty-three feet water. She proved a very valuable prize, having one million of dollars registered on board, and was reputed to be worth three millions.

The loss sustained during the siege, was much less than could have been expected from the nature of such a severe piece of service, it amounting to one officer of the Navy, and three officers of King's troops killed; one officer of the Navy, and four of the King's troops wounded; one officer of the Company's troops drowned; thirteen seamen and marines, seven of the King's, and eight of the Company's troops killed; six of the Company's troops drowned: twenty sailors or marines, forty-nine of the King's, and thirty-seven of the Company's troops, wounded. Commodore Tiddeman, in attempting to enter the river in his barge, the morning after the reduction

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It would be difficult to ascertain with exactness, the value of this acquisition to Great Britain; but the territory now reduced to her obedience, consisted of fourteen considerable islands, which, from their extent, fertility, and situation for trade, are not to be equalled in the world. The active spirit of commerce, not suiting the genius of the Spanish nation, this grand Archipelago did not prove so advantageous to the State, as it otherwise might have been; even as it was, it could not miss of being severely felt by Spain, if we consider that this conquest, together with that of the Havannah, in a great measure secured to Britain the chief sources of their trade to Asia and America, and cut off the communications between the principal parts of their vast but unconnected empire.

Both General Draper and Admiral Cornish received the thanks of the House of Commons for the service they had done their country, by the conquest of the Philippine islands. The former was soon after made a Knight of the Bath, and the latter created a Baronet of Great Britain.

The Spanish colours taken at Manila, were, by his Majesty's orders, at the request of General Draper, hung up in the Chapel of the College at Cambridge, of which the General was a member.

As the Spaniards had now received certain intelligence, that the annual ship, the *Philippina*, from Acapulco, was arrived at a port called Palapa, in the island of Samar, they became extremely apprehensive that she must soon be captured, as Admiral Cornish was resolved to send ships in quest of her. The taking of this vessel must have ruined most of the principal merchants of Manila; but in order to render this misfortune as light as possible, the Governor and merchants entered into a negotiation with Admiral Cornish and General Draper, by which it was stipulated, that they should use every means in their power to assist in delivering up the ship *Philippina* to the British, with all her Treasure and Plate on board, on condition, that they were allowed to take as much money as would pay off the balance due to the British, of the four millions of

dollars which the Spaniards had consented to give for the ransom of the city of Manila. This was agreed to ; but whether the Spaniards were sincere or not, seems very problematical; indeed it appears pretty evident, that they only wanted to gain time, and prevent a force being sent against the galleon, until they had notice that the most valuable parts of her cargo were conveyed so far up the country, as to put it beyond the reach of the British. The season seconded their designs ; as they well knew that it was next to an impossibility, for ships to get through the Embocadero, from Manila to Palapa, while the N. E. monsoon lasted. In order to give their scheme all the appearance of plausibility in their power, as soon as the Vice-Admiral informed the Governor that the Argo and Seaford frigates were ready to proceed on this service, he sent on board two Regidores, and two of the Council of Commerce, to accompany Captain King to Palapa ; these gentlemen were vested with full powers, and carried orders to the General of the galleon, to see that the terms of the agreement were complied with.

Thus equipped, Captain King, with the two frigates, sailed for Palapa, and did all that lay in his power to reach that port ; but the weather proved so extremely tempestuous and rainy, that, after using every effort for the space of three months, in which time he had frequently run great risks of losing both ships, and his provisions being nearly expended, he found it impossible to get through the Embocadero, against the strength of the N. E. monsoon, and had the mortification to be constrained to return to Manila, without effecting his purpose, where he arrived just in time to have the Argo refitted to accompany Vice-Admiral Cornish and the fleet to the coast of Coromandel. The Admiral left the Falmouth, Captain Brereton, and the Seaford, Captain Peighin, to protect our new conquests at Manila ; ordering the former to proceed to Palapa as soon as the season would permit, in order to get possession of the Philippina and her treasure. He likewise was to be accompanied by civil officers ; but as no account has ever appeared of Captain Brereton's proceedings on this enterprise, it is presumed that he was equally unfortunate in his endeavours to obtain possession of this rich ship as Captain King had been.

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been. At the time that Admiral Cornish sailed for the coast of Coromandel, it was currently reported at Manila, that the Spaniards had secured the money and plate at a place far from the sea; and there is every reason to believe this report was true. It would therefore have been impossible for Captain Brereton to have landed a sufficient number of men to take the treasure by force; and little regard would be paid to the letters of the Spanish Governor and Council of Manila, by the General of the galleon, or the Spaniards who were interested in the cargo of the Philipina.

The conduct of the Court of Spain, with regard to the non-payment of the Manila ransom-money, will afford a very useful lesson for naval and military people in their future behaviour, if ever any thing similar should occur. It will point out to them the necessity of taking proper methods to insure the fulfilling of all stipulations in the most ample manner, and to put it out of the power of any State, on ill grounded pretences, to defraud the conquerors of their just rights. The city of Manila was saved from being plundered by the British forces, in consideration of the inhabitants paying them four millions of dollars, one half of which was to be paid immediately, the other half at a time to be afterwards agreed upon. For this half, amounting to near 450,000 l. Sterling, the Governor-General of the Philippine islands drew bills on the Royal Treasury at Madrid.

Before the intelligence of this conquest arrived in London, a general peace was concluded; and when the bills were presented, payment was refused by the Court of Spain, on the specious pretext, that the persons composing the civil power at Manila, were forced into terms that were oppressive and unjust, from the dread of being put to the sword, if they refused their consent to them; and notwithstanding that they signed such conditions with the British Commanders, yet General Draper either ordered or suffered the city to be pillaged for forty hours by four thousand English, who plundered it of more than a million of dollars; and on this account, the Court of Spain argued that payment ought not to be made. To this General Draper replied, "That it was a known and universal rule in war among the most civilized nations, that places taken by storm, without

"any capitulation, are subject to all the miseries that the conquerors may choose to inflict. This was the condition of Manila. The objection and pretence of force and violence may be made use of to evade any military agreements whatever, where the two parties do not treat on an equality. By the same mode of reasoning, a state may object to the payment of ransoms of ships taken at sea, and to contributions levied in a country which is the seat of war; but it is always allowed, that in such cases, a part must be sacrificed to the whole. The destruction which would have followed military execution, would have trebled the sum exacted, besides that the Spanish Empire in Asia would thereby have been entirely subverted." The charge of allowing the military to pillage for forty hours, was a gross exaggeration, and easily refuted; concerning which, General Draper farther replied, "That the number of troops which entered Manila when it was stormed, amounted to little more than two thousand, which were a motley composition of seamen, soldiers, sepoy, castrados, lascars, topasses, French and German deserters. The difficulty of restraining any troops, in the first fury of an assault is well known; but it must be much greater, when composed of such a variety and confusion of people, who differed as much in sentiment and language, as in dress and complexion. Several hours elapsed before the principal inhabitants could be brought to a conference: during that interval, the inhabitants were undoubtedly very great sufferers; but such violence was antecedent to settling the terms of capitulation; and, by the laws of war, the place, with all its contents, became the unquestionable property of the captors until a sufficient equivalent was given in lieu of it. That several robberies were committed after the capitulation was signed, is acknowledged; but it is denied that the place was pillaged for forty hours, or with the permission of the General, as he immediately issued out orders for preserving the strictest regularity and decorum; and therein declared, that whoever should be guilty of robberies, or plundering the churches and houses, should be hanged without mercy. General Draper made several examples, and did all that lay in his power to enforce the terms of the capitulation. Confid-

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ing how very much the enemy had at stake, in a large and opulent city, and the easy terms by which they saved the place from a general pillage, it is shameful to think that so honourable a people as the Spaniards should have made the smallest objection to comply with terms which proved of such manifest advantage to their Asiatic settlements.

WEST INDIES.—LEEWARD ISLAND STATION.

THE complete reduction of the French settlements in North America, enabled the Ministry to draw a very considerable military force to the West Indies, where it was resolved to make a very powerful attack upon such islands as still remained under the dominion of his Most Christian Majesty. For this purpose, eleven battalions were assembled in the month of August, on Staten island, near New York. The command of this army was given to Major-General Monckton, (See Note 186.) ; and every thing being got ready, they sailed for Barbadoes the end of October, under convoy of a strong squadron of ships of war, commanded by Captain Darby of the Devonshire. Colonel James Grant, who had been sent with a considerable detachment of troops to Charlestown in South Carolina in 1761, in order to chastise the Cherokee Indians, who had been troublesome to the settlers in the interior parts of that province, having performed that service, was ordered to embark all the troops that could be spared from Carolina, and to join the army at Barbadoes.

Rear-Admiral Rodney was sent from England early in October, with several capital ships to join those under Sir James Douglas, and to assume the command of the squadron there. Lord Rollo had received orders to collect such troops as could be spared from the different garrisons in the West Indies, and, with the troops already under his command, to join the army under General Monckton at Barbadoes ; at which island Rear-Admiral Rodney arrived the 22d of November 1761, and, between that time and the 9th of December, the rest of his squadron joined him. Here he found Sir James Douglas with part of his fleet, which, as soon as they were completely watered and

and victualled, he detached to block up the island of Martinico. Admiral Rodney, while at Barbadoes, hired ten sloops, which he manned and armed. These he sent partly to cruize off the island of St Eustatia, to prevent the Dutch from affording the French any supplies of naval and military stores and provisions, and partly to cruize off Martinico; and, as they drew but little water, had orders to look into all the small harbours on the windward side of that island, and to endeavour to cut out any vessels they might find there. He likewise wrote to all the Governors of the islands belonging to Great Britain, informing them of the arrival of the armament, and its destination, and entreating them to lend all the assistance in their power to the enterprize. On which the Governor of Barbadoes laid an embargo on the island, in order to conceal from the enemy what was going on there; and two corps were raised, the one consisting of five hundred white, and the other of six hundred black men, who joined the army. The Admiral endeavoured all in his power to obtain seamen who could serve as pilots at Martinico, and to such he offered large premiums. On the 14th of December, the Temeraire and Acteon ships of war joined the Admiral with a body of troops from the island of Belleisle, under the command of Brigadier-General Rufane; and on the 24th of that month, General Monckton, with the army from North America, arrived in Carlisle bay, as did, soon after, Lord Rollo, with the corps under his command.

The whole of the troops being now arrived, the Admiral and General, with the proper officers, were busied in making the necessary arrangements for the enterprize, and in giving the troops all the refreshment in their power; which being done, this grand armament, consisting of upwards of thirteen thousand land forces, (See Note 186.) and a fleet of sixteen sail of the line, many frigates, sloops of war, bomb-ketches, hospital ships, and transports, (See Note 186.), sailed from Carlisle bay on the 5th of January 1762, and on the 7th joined Sir James Douglas off the island of Martinico. It was a most unpardonable neglect, that the bays and landing places of this island had not been properly examined, and accurate charts of them made out for each ship. There seems likewise

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a great want of information, both as to the island itself, the strength of the garrison, and of the works the enemy had erected since the attempt made on the island in January 1759. This country is extremely mountainous in the centre, whence issue numberless large streams of water, which, in the hurricane months, are swelled to violent torrents. These have, in their way to the sea, worn deep channels for themselves; so that the country is every half mile intersected by deep ravines or gullies, with steep rocky sides, having water running at the bottom, which in many places is but barely fordable. These fords are rendered difficult to pass, from the number of large stones which the torrents have rolled from the sides of the mountains. In making war here, great precaution is necessary; a landing must be effected as near the fortified places designed to be attacked as possible, as the transporting of cannon, ammunition, and all the stores requisite to carry on a siege to any distance, across such a rugged country, is absolutely impracticable. In the first part of the operations against Martinico, this does not seem to have been attended to, until experience pointed it out; for, instead of making for the great bay of Fort Royal, with the fleet and army, Admiral Rodney detached five sail of the line to that bay, and ordered one of the ships to hoist a similar flag to his. In order (at the same time) to distract the enemy's attention, and harass their troops, he sent five large frigates off La Trinité, on the opposite side of the island. Both these detachments were to make a feint of landing troops; and with the remainder of the fleet, he came to an anchor in St Anne's bay, the best harbour on the weathermost part of the island.

Sir James Douglas, with his division, stood close in, and silenced the batteries; in performing this service, we had the misfortune to lose the *Raisonable*, by her running on a little reef of rocks of which the pilot was entirely ignorant, as she was leading in for one of the enemy's batteries. Her people, stores, and guns, were saved. Here a part of the army was landed; but the General soon found that it would be impossible to march round to Fort Royal from this spot: and information having been received both by him and the Admiral, that since the descent made on this island in 1759, the enemy had erected fortifications from

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Negro Point, a considerable way down that side of the bay of Fort Royal, it would be in vain to attempt making a descent there. The account given of the strength of these new works was greatly exaggerated; but, in consequence of this report, a new plan was proposed, which was, to land the army at St. Lucy, on the opposite side of St Ann's bay, and to march across the isthmus to Gros Point, so as to be able to reduce Pigeon Island; which being done, the ships of war could with safety anchor on the east side of Fort Royal bay, and attack the citadel. But when it was considered with what difficulty, cannon, stores, and provisions, could be conveyed across this part of the island, in which there was also a great scarcity of water, this plan was soon relinquished.

The General resolved, however, to attempt the reduction of Pigeon Island from the east side. Accordingly, a detachment of the fleet was sent under Commodore Swanton, to Ance Darlet, accompanied by two brigades of foot, commanded by Brigadier Generals Haviland and Grant, and a corps of light infantry under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Scott. The Commodore having soon silenced the enemy's batteries, the troops were landed, and marched to the heights opposite to Pigeon Island. On the 10th, Captain Hervey, in the Dragon, was ordered into the Grand Ance, where he silenced a strong fort, landed his marines, and took possession of it; but, soon after, a detachment of eight hundred men, under Lieutenant Colonel Melvill, relieved them. He was detached by Brigadier General Haviland to take post there, in case it should be found necessary to march his corps to secure that place. As he perceived that it would not be an easy matter to accomplish the design on which he was sent; he acquainted General Monckton, that he had taken post on the high ground opposite to the fort on Pigeon Island, within the range of the enemy's shells; and finding the road impassable for cannon and mortars necessary for the reduction of that island, he was of opinion, that he had best march to Ance Darlet, re-embark the troops under his command, and there, with Commodore Swanton, wait farther orders. While on this ground, the light infantry were attacked, in the dead of night, by three companies of grenadiers, some freebooters, negroes, and mulattoes,

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which the enemy had passed over from Fort Royal; but they were so warmly received, that they made a precipitate retreat, leaving some dead, and having a serjeant and three of their grenadiers taken prisoners; our troops did not sustain any loss.

The Admiral and General finding that all their operations hitherto, had not forwarded their design of reducing the island, resolved to alter their mode of attack. The batteries at St Ann's were blown up, the troops were embarked, and, with the war ships, proceeded to Ance Darlet, where they joined Brigadier General Haviland, and altogether proceeded to the bay of Fort Royal, where they came to an anchor. The Admiral and General, attended by the proper officers, went and examined the coast with the greatest attention; and having fixed on a spot on the west side of the bay, where there appeared a possibility of their being able to make a descent, every thing was got in readiness accordingly. Various feints were ordered at different parts of the island, which had a very good effect. In the night of the 15th of January, the grenadiers were distributed on board some of the line of battle ships, that they might be ready to disembark in an instant. Nine other line of battle ships were at the same time ordered to range along the shore, and attack the enemy's batteries. Early in the morning of the 16th, the ships moved to their respective stations, and soon commenced a very warm cannonade. In the mean time, all the flat-bottomed boats were got ready to receive the troops; and the ships having silenced the batteries by noon, the Admiral made the signal for the troops to prepare to land, and soon after to repair to the rendezvous. Here they were ranged into three divisions. The right wing was commanded by Captain Shulldham; the centre by Commodore Swanton, who superintended the debarkation; and the left wing by Captain Hervey. On the signal being made, they pushed boldly for the shore, made good their landing without any loss, in Cas des Navieres bay, and formed in the greatest order on the beach. The grenadiers, in three bodies, commanded by Lieutenant Colonels Fletcher, Maffey, and Vaughan, led the van. The light infantry, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Scott, and Major Leland, followed; and lastly the battalions in brigades. By sun-set, about two thirds of the army were disembarked,

barked, and the remainder early next morning; at which time, the Admiral also reinforced the army with a corps of marines, which were formed into two battalions of four hundred and fifty men each, and sent on shore such requisites as the army stood in immediate need of. General Monckton formed his army on the heights above Cas des Navieres bay; and as soon as the tents could be landed, they encamped there.

The troops had many difficulties to encounter before they could lay siege to Fort Royal, which was now full in their view, at four miles distance. The vigorous fire from the ships had made the landing an easy matter; but in advancing towards the citadel, great caution was necessary. The whole country was a sort of natural fortification. The enemy's regular troops, indeed, were not many; but the militia and people of colour were, from their numbers, truly formidable. They were not only well armed, but well skilled in the only kind of war which could be carried on in a country like this, full of steep woody mountains, separated by deep ravines, having torrents of water at bottom; every accessible place guarded and fortified with cannon, and all the heights strongly intrenched, particularly Morne Tortenson, and Morne Garnier, two high hills, which may be considered as out-works to the citadel of Fort Royal, which they so entirely commanded, that when these were carried, it was no longer tenable; and until they were in our possession, no attack could be formed against the fort with any probability of success. In order to attain this point, the General found it necessary to erect batteries, under cover of whose fire, the troops might attack the posts on the first of these eminences; upon which (when carried) batteries behaved to be erected to drive the enemy from Morne Garnier. The enemy, sensible of the importance of both these strong posts, had spared no pains in fortifying them with redoubts and very strong intrenchments; in the face of which works, our troops had to march in order to attack them. The General and Admiral sent letters to the Secretary of State, and to the Admiralty, containing an account of the army being landed, and the steps they were pursuing for attacking the citadel of Fort Royal, by the Honourable Captain Robert Boyle Walsingham, of his Majesty's ship the *Modeste*,

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While the batteries necessary for the grand attack were erecting, the army continued encamped on the heights above Cas des Navieres; and the Admiral not only landed the artillery, but sent on shore a large body of seamen, who found no difficulties in transporting the heaviest cannon and mortars, up the steepest mountains, to a very considerable distance from the sea, and across the enemy's line of fire. The gallant behaviour of the Naval officers and sailors, on this dangerous service, could only be equalled by the cheerfulness and dispatch with which it was executed.

The batteries being completed, General Monckton made the necessary dispositions for attacking the enemy's posts on Morne Tortenson. On the 24th of January, at break of day, the troops advanced under cover of a brisk fire from the batteries: the grenadiers, under Brigadier General Grant, began the action, by attacking the enemy's advanced posts. Brigadier Rufane on the right, with his brigade and the marines, were ordered to advance and attack the redoubts along the sea-coast, a thousand seamen in flat-bottomed boats rowing up as he advanced. Lord Rollo's brigade supported the grenadiers. Brigadier Walsli with his brigade supported the light infantry under Lieutenant Colonel Scott, who were ordered to attack the left of a plantation, and to endeavour to get round the enemy. The light infantry effected their point; and while the grenadiers were driving the enemy from post to post, they got upon their left flank, which helped not a little to complete their rout. The strong works the enemy had erected, were now successively attacked, with such irresistible impetuosity, that, by nine o'clock, our troops were in possession of them all; together with the strong ground of Morne Tortenson, whereon were several redoubts mounted with cannon, and most advantageously situated. The enemy retired in the greatest confusion to Morne Garnier, still higher hill than Morne Tortenson, and separated from by a deep ravine, covered with a very thick brush wood, and a rivulet at the bottom. From this post the enemy boasted they could not be driven: they had, indeed, been at uncommon pains in adding to its great natural strength, every thing

which art could devise to render it still stronger. The spirit of the grenadiers in this attack was such, that some of them pursued the enemy to the bridge of the town of Fort Royal, and brought off prisoners from thence. While the attack just mentioned was going on, Brigadier Haviland, with his brigade, two battalions of Highlanders, and a corps of light infantry commanded by Major Leland, had orders (from the reported practicability of the passage) to cross a ravine a good deal to the left, attack a body of the enemy who were posted on several heights opposite to him, and endeavour to get in on their left flank; in order by this means to divide their force, in case they chose to support this post.

Although this corps began their march at two o'clock in the morning, yet they found so many difficulties to surmount, that notwithstanding all their endeavours, it was late before they could get across the ravine. When General Monckton found that the enemy were giving way on all sides, he ordered Lieutenant Colonel Scott's light infantry, Brigadier Walsh's brigade and a division of the grenadiers, to a plantation more to the left, where Brigadier Haviland was to have come down. They drove off some of the enemy posted there; and the light infantry possessed themselves of a very advantageous post, opposite to Morne Garnier. To support them, the General ordered Brigadier Haviland's corps (which had now passed the ravine) to the right; while the division of grenadiers under Brigadier Grant and Walsh's brigade, kept possession of this upper plantation which communicated with Brigadier Haviland's corps. The marines which the General had taken from Brigadier Rufane were posted to cover the road between the two plantations.

The 25th, batteries were begun on Morne Tortenson to play against the citadel of Fort Royal; but the troops were so much annoyed on this and the 26th, by the enemy's fire from Morne Garnier, that the General came to the resolution to attack the post immediately; and to begin his operations to the left where Brigadier Haviland was posted, there to erect batteries against those of the enemy which so much annoyed our troops. An attempt to force this post must have been attended with considerable loss; but which, owing to the rashness of the enemy, was luckily prevented; as, on the 27th, about four o'clock

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in the evening, they, under cover of their batteries, and with the greatest part of their force, had the temerity to attack the two corps of light infantry, and Brigadier Haviland's brigade, in the posts they occupied; by whom, however, they were received with such steadiness, that they were immediately repulsed. Such indeed was the ardour of the British troops, and so eager were they in the pursuit of the enemy, that they passed the ravine along with them, seized their batteries, and took post there: they were presently reinforced by Brigadier Walsh's brigade, and the division of the grenadiers under Brigadier Grant, who, immediately on the attack, had marched to support them. Night was now come on; but Major Leland moving on to the left with his light infantry, and finding no opposition, continued his route towards the enemy's redoubt, on the summit of Morne Garnier, and took possession of it; the enemy (except a few grenadiers who were made prisoners) having abandoned it on his approach. Their regular troops retired to the citadel, and the militia dispersed into the country. Thus, by a happy presence of mind, was a defensive advantage improved in the nick of time, to a successful attack; and, by mingling with the enemy in their retreat, or rather flight, our troops pressed so close upon them, that by nine at night, they had driven them from all their posts, and were in complete possession of Morne Garnier, which entirely commanded the citadel. On hearing of Major Leland's success, Brigadiers Walsh, Grant, and Haviland, marched immediately with their corps to the support of the light infantry. So precipitate was the enemy's flight, that they left a mortar loaded, and eight or nine guns unspiked, with a quantity of ammunition and provisions. The cannon and mortar were turned against the citadel in the morning.

The General being now in possession of this advantageous post, from whence the enemy had so much annoyed our people; and having completed two batteries on Morne Tortonson, consisting of fourteen guns and three mortars, they were opened against the citadel on the 30th. But finding that the distance was too great, the General ordered possession to be taken of Morne Capuchin, not more than four hundred yards distant from the fort; and the sooner to reduce the citadel, he immediately

mediately resolved to erect batteries at both these places, while, for the easier conveyance of the cannon by water, he caused Major Leland, with his light infantry, to take post on the river Monsieur. The enemy seeing such mighty preparations, judged it prudent to surrender, and beat the chamade on the evening of the 3d of February; in consequence of which, the gate of the citadel was delivered up to his Majesty's forces, the evening of the 4th; and at nine in the morning of the 5th, the garrison marched out, agreeable to the terms of capitulation. (See Note 186.) It consisted of about eight hundred men, grenadiers, marines, militia, and freebooters. About one hundred and fifty were killed or wounded during the siege. The place might have held out some time longer, as, before it could have been stormed, a breach or two must have been made in the walls. The enemy, in the several attacks, had not less than a thousand men killed, wounded, or made prisoners; among the latter, some of the principal inhabitants, who were taken on the 24th.

M. de la Touche, the Governor General, after leaving a garrison in Fort Royal, retired with the remainder of his forces to St Pierre; without once sending to enquire after his killed, wounded, or prisoners. Immediately upon the citadel's surrendering, a deputation from most of the quarters of the island came in, desiring to capitulate, M. de la Touche having refused them his permission to enter into terms. The 7th, the capitulation was signed, to which several of the other quarters of the island daily acceded. On the 7th, Pigeon Island was summoned to surrender, with which its Commandant immediately complied, on the same terms with those granted to the citadel, cannon excepted. On the 28th of January, General Monckton learning that M. Nadau D'Etreil, late the French Governor of the Island of Guadaloupe, was at a house about two leagues off, he thought it necessary to send and make him prisoner. This unfortunate gentleman had been very ill treated by M. de la Touche, whose conduct in the defence of Martinico, was much inferior to that displayed by M. Nadau in the defence of Guadaloupe.

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Major Gates, (the same who was afterwards a General Officer in the army of the American rebels); as did the Admiral Captain Darby, of his Majesty's ship *Devonshire*. They met with a most gracious reception from his Majesty, and had each a present of 500*l.* to buy a sword.

The General gave the necessary orders to repair the citadel of Fort Royal, and was making the utmost dispatch for attacking St Pierre; when two deputies arrived on the 12th of February, offering terms of capitulation for the whole island, on the part of M. le Vassor de la Touche, the Governor General. On the 13th, they received the General and Admiral's answers to their proposals, which they carried to St Pierre's; and, on the 14th, returned with the capitulation signed, (See Note 186.); in consequence of which, General Monckton left Fort Royal on the 15th, with the grenadiers of the army, and the second brigade; and, on the 16th, took possession of the populous city of St Pierre, and all the posts and batteries in its neighbourhood. The French Governor was in a great measure compelled to take this step; for, immediately on the surrender of Fort Royal, the Admiral had detached the Honourable Captain Hervey in the *Dragon*, and some other ships, to the harbour of La Trinité. The Captain landed his marines and five hundred seamen, and took possession of the place; on which all the quarters in that part of the island submitted to the British arms. This greatly diminished the force under M. de la Touche; but still he would not propose any terms, until he found that the Admiral and General were coming against St Pierre, with their whole force; when, the inhabitants dreading the same fate to their capital, as that which befel the capital of Guadeloupe in 1759, beseeched the Governor to propose terms of capitulation, and even gave him to understand that they would no longer aid him in the defence of the place; on which he sent his brother, and a General Officer, with his terms.

With an account of the surrender of the island of Martinico, General Monckton sent home his aid-de-camp, Captain Ricaut, who was graciously received by his Majesty; had a present of 500*l.* given him to buy a sword, and was soon after promoted to the rank of Major.

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While measures were pursuing for the reduction of the island of Martinico, the Admiral sent some ships under the command of Commodore Swanton, to block up the island of Grenada. (See Note 187.) And as soon as the island had submitted, Commodore Swanton received a reinforcement of ships, who escorted thither the fifth brigade, with Lieutenant Colonel Scott's light infantry. These troops were commanded by Brigadier-General Walsh; who arriving off Grenada the 3d of March, he next day sent Lieutenant-Colonel Scott ashore with a letter to the Governor, summoning him to surrender. This he positively refused, in like manner as he had done a summons received from Commodore Swanton before the troops arrived. The inhabitants, however, perceiving their destruction inevitable if they held out, and being assured that they would not obtain such favourable terms at any future time as at the present, they signed a capitulation on the 4th. A very strong post, which commanded the fort, was occupied by the Governor, aided by his garrison of regular troops, and some freebooters who still stood on their defence. On the 5th, General Walsh landed with the grenadiers, the light infantry, and the twenty-seventh regiment, and immediately took such steps as must soon have obliged the Governor to surrender: but he saved the General any further trouble; for, finding himself abandoned by the inhabitants, his communication with the country, and every supply, cut off, he submitted at discretion, without firing a gun. With this island also surrendered the Grenadillas, a cluster of islands, two of which (Carriacou and Bequia) are near as large as the island of Antigua. General Walsh appointed Lieutenant-Colonel Scott Governor of this new conquest, leaving the ninety-fifth regiment as a garrison, and returned with the remainder of the troops to Martinico. General Monckton sent home his Aid-de-camp, Captain Wood, with the news of this conquest, who was graciously received by his Majesty, and ordered to be presented with 500 l. to buy a sword. The loss the British troops sustained in the conquests they made, was much less than could have been expected, considering the numbers of the enemy, and the strong country they possessed, (See Note 187.) every accessible part of which was intrench-

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On the 24th of February, the Honourable Captain Hervey was detached with a small squadron against the island of St Lucia. (See Note 188.) His orders were, only to attack it in case he found his strength sufficient to reduce it, and, if not strong enough, to make his report to the Admiral. Captain Hervey could not get such a distinct account of the enemy's strength or situation as he wished, and the entrance into the harbour being narrow, he could not see from without in what manner it was fortified; but he fell on a stratagem that procured him the intelligence he wanted. He sent in an officer to summon M. Longueville, the French Governor, to surrender, while he himself, dressed like a midshipman, accompanied the officer, by way of an interpreter, and was, along with him, conducted into the fort to the Governor; who declared that he was resolved to hold out to the last extremity. Captain Hervey being now convinced that his ships could come very near the fort, he therefore resolved to enter the harbour next day, and, with his cannon, reduce M. de Longueville to reason; who no sooner saw the ships approach the harbour's mouth, than he offered terms of capitulation, which being settled, (See Note 188.), Captain Hervey took possession of the fort and harbour, which is one of the best in this part of the West Indies. The Captain's orders were, as soon as he had reduced St Lucia, which was looked upon as a French island, to proceed against the island of St Vincent's, (See Note 189.) and to inform the Chief or Chiefs of the native Caribs, that he was not come to molest them in any shape whatever, but to rid them of the yoke which the French had imposed on them; to compel the usurpers to retire to Martinico; and assuring them, that the King his Master would grant them his

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* A very different conduct was pursued at the siege of Guadaloupe, in 1759. The Negroes and other prize goods then taken, were all sold by a person who called himself King's Agent; but the money arising from the sales was never accounted for to the army serving there.

Royal protection, and maintain them in that state of neutrality to which they were justly entitled.

On his way to obey these instructions, he met an express from the Admiral, with orders for Captain Hervey to join him with all expedition. The reason of this was, that the French, well aware of how great importance the possession of the West India islands was to them, and that without a powerful aid, their fall was inevitable, had made a desperate effort either to relieve such as might be besieged, or to succour others that might be threatened with an attack, in such a manner as would make us either abandon the design, or buy the conquest very dear. For this purpose, they had fitted out at Brest seven sail of the line and three frigates, the command of which was given to M. de Blenac; and on board of this squadron (See Note 190.) they had embarked seven battalions of infantry. The troops were commanded by the Viscount de Belfunce: he was accompanied by the Chevalier de St Croix, who had been appointed Governor of St Domingo. This squadron had the good fortune to escape out of Brest in absence of Commodore Spry, who had a few days before been blown off the coast. On his return to his station, he perceived that the enemy's fleet, availing themselves of his absence, had stole out. He tried to overtake them; but they having got too far ahead of him, he gave over the pursuit, and dispatched the Aquilon frigate to the West Indies, in order to put Admiral Rodney on his guard. Had the Aquilon arrived a few days sooner, it is probable this French squadron had been either taken or destroyed; but the first notice of their arrival in the West Indies was announced by their appearance off La Trinité on the windward side of Martinico on the 8th of March. In the evening they sent a boat to the shore with an officer in it to gain intelligence. They did not land, but spoke to a French planter, who was attending some Negroes at work in a field. The squadron laid to till about one o'clock on the 10th, when they put before the wind, and came almost within cannon-shot of La Trinité, infomuch that Major Gordon Graham who commanded there with the second battalion of Royal Highlanders, thought they were going to land; but they changed their course, and stood for the island of Dominica. At this time Admiral Rodney's fleet was much dispersed; part being off the Grenades with Commodore Spry

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ton, part with Captain Hervey, and a part with Sir James Douglas, cruizing off the Salinas. Such being the situation of affairs when Admiral Rodney received advice that M. de Blenac was on the coast, he immediately sent orders to Commodore Swanton and Captain Hervey to join him off the Salinas, and, with the few ships he had with him, he left Martinico, joined Sir James Douglas, and went in quest of the French Squadron. Commodore Swanton and Captain Hervey joined him without delay; so that, in the course of a few days, he found himself at the head of a powerful fleet, but could obtain no account of the enemy: he soon after learned, that they had been seen from St Christopher's, steering to the westward; a circumstance which put it beyond doubt, that they had gone to Cape François. The Admiral returned to Martinico, where he found the Aquilon frigate, who, furnishing him with certain accounts of the strength of the enemy's fleet, he ordered the Squadron to be watered and got ready for sea with the utmost dispatch.

It was a most fortunate circumstance, that M. de Blenac had sailed from Brest before the French Ministry received information of Spain's resolution to take a part in the war; for soon after his appearance off Martinico, Rear-Admiral Rodney received letters from Captain George Johnstone, of his Majesty's sloop the Hornet, dated from Lisbon, into which port the Captain had carried a small prize which he had taken. While at Lisbon, dispatches arrived from the Earl of Bristol, the British Ambassador at Madrid, to the British Consul there, which afforded a certainty of the rupture between Great Britain and Spain; on which Captain Johnstone immediately victualled and manned his prize, and sent her off express with letters to Admiral Rodney in the West Indies, where he had the good fortune to arrive in twenty-three days: the officer who commanded her brought along with him a copy of the King of Spain's order of December 10th 1761, for seizing all British vessels in the Spanish ports. On this, Admiral Rodney gave orders to his Squadron to take all Spanish vessels whatever: soon after which, a tender belonging to the Dublin captured a packet-boat, carrying dispatches for the Spanish Governors in the West Indies, advising them of the declaration of war against Great Britain. This capture was

of the utmost importance, as by means of it the Spaniards in the West Indies remained entirely ignorant of what was transacting in Europe, while we were fully acquainted with what had been done.

While the fleet was watering, Admiral Rodney received letters from the Governor of Jamaica, informing him of Rear-Admiral Holmes's death, and requesting that some troops and ships might be sent immediately for the defence of the island, as a strong squadron of Spanish ships of war had arrived at the Havannah, which made them very apprehensive of an attack from the combined forces of France and Spain; and concluding, from the above cause, that the latter had taken a decided part against Great Britain. Admiral Rodney communicated this intelligence to General Monckton, who, having no orders to that purpose, was very much at a loss how to proceed. The Admiral thought the emergency so great, that he resolved to go himself with a considerable part of the squadron to that island, and dispatched a frigate express to Commodore Forrest (who, since the death of Admiral Holmes, commanded his Majesty's ships at Jamaica), by which he informed him of the arrival of a French squadron in the West Indies, and requesting the Commodore to join him off Cape St Nicholas with all the ships he could muster, as he was determined to block up the enemy in such of their ports as he should find them at. He, at the same time, desired to be informed of every particular relative to Jamaica, in order that he might be the better enabled to take the proper measures for its preservation. The squadron was ordered to rendezvous at the island of St Christopher's, that he might select the ships he designed should accompany him. Before he had got every thing ready for sailing, the Richmond frigate, Captain Elphinstone, arrived there from England on the 26th of March, who brought out orders to the Admiral and General Monckton, not to prosecute any designs they might have planned, as his Majesty had thought proper to order a grand secret expedition to the West Indies, to which every other operation must give way, and in which both services must join, in order to increase its force as much as possible. But the Admiral not being quite easy as to the safety of Jamaica, and as the squadron on that station was likewise to be

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included in the grand expedition, he resolved to send a large reinforcement of ships under the command of Sir James Douglas (See Note 191.) to that island, with orders to get the squadron there ready for sea as soon as possible, in order to join Sir George Pocock: which being done, Admiral Rodney detached a part of his fleet to cruise off the Spanish Main, under the command of Commodore Swanton, and then returned with the remainder to St Pierre's in Martinico, to wait the arrival of Admiral Pocock; having, in the mean time, sent a frigate to meet him at Barbadoes.

The cruisers of Admiral Rodney's squadron captured but few considerable prizes. The *Acæon* took a Spanish register ship on the 4th of February, off Tobago, laden with cannon, gun-powder, small arms, and ordnance stores, bound for La Guira.

The *Ferret* sloop of war, commanded by Captain Peter Clarke, being on a cruise to the windward of the island of Porto Rico, took a Spanish sloop, the master of which, on condition that his vessel should be restored to him, promised to show Captain Clarke a Spanish ship of great value at anchor not far off; but as she mounted twenty-four guns, and had a great many men, he was afraid she might prove an overmatch for the *Ferret*. The terms being agreed on, as soon as the ship was distinctly seen, the sloop was restored. Captain Clarke found much difficulty to get at the enemy, whose ship was at anchor in a bay, behind a reef of rocks and a sand-bank; so that to get close to her was attended with great hazard. For three days he plied off and on, and sent his boats during the night to sound the bay, when they at last found a channel of fifteen feet water. Small as this depth was, Captain Clarke being resolved to make trial of it, he early next morning entered its channel, and stood for the enemy, who, as soon as the *Ferret* came within reach of their guns, kept up an incessant, but ill directed fire on her. When the *Ferret* had got within point-blank shot, she unluckily touched the ground; but her broadside bearing on the enemy, she returned their fire with great briskness for near two hours, when the enemy, having first hauled down their colours, took to their boats, and abandoned their ship. Captain Clarke immediately sent his boats on board: She was bound from the Caraccas to Cadiz, and proved a very valuable

valuable prize. It is supposed that the enemy's loss of men must have been considerable, as much blood was found on the decks; but they had carried off their killed, as well as wounded. The Admiral was so well pleased with the behaviour of Captain Clarke and his crew, that he went on board and returned them his thanks. The Captain was soon after appointed to a post ship. This fleet was reinforced the end of the year, (See Note 192.) and a flag sent out to Commodore Swanton.

WEST INDIES.—JAMAICA STATION.

IN order to understand distinctly the transactions in this part of the world, we shall begin with giving an account of such operations as happened previous to the arrival of Sir George Pocock. Rear-Admiral Holmes dying the 24th of November 1761, the command devolved on Captain Arthur Forrest, of his Majesty's ship *Centaur*. Owing to the activity of our cruisers, the enemy's trade was quite destroyed; and if the Dutch had not assisted them, they would have found it a difficult matter to have disposed of the produce of their colonies.

The *Fowey* *, commanded by Captain Joseph Mead, on her voyage from Martinico to Jamaica, fell in with the *Ventura*, a Spanish frigate of twenty-six twelve pounders, and three hundred men, off Cape Tiberoon. Captain Mead immediately bore down, and attacked her closely. The enemy returned the fire very briskly; when, after engaging an hour and a half, both ships were so much damaged, that they sheered off to repair their rigging. This completed, Captain Mead commenced the action again; but it being now ten o'clock at night, and extremely dark, he found it impossible to get his ship placed against his antagonist as he wished. He therefore gave over firing until day-light, when he determined to renew the action. Next morning, as soon as he got sight of the *Ventura*, he once more bore down, and engaged her until half an hour after eight, when, being very much damaged in her hull, masts, yards, and rigging, the enemy struck. She had forty men killed, and a great many wounded. The *Fowey* had ten men killed, and twenty-four wounded.

* The *Fowey* mounted only twenty-four nine-pounders, and had one hundred and thirty-five men.

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On the 3d of April, the *Huffar*, commanded by Captain Carket, attacked four French ships at anchor, under a fort in Tiberoon bay: one, mounting sixteen guns, he burned; another of fourteen guns, he sunk; and cut out the other two, viz. one of sixteen, and the other of twelve guns, both of them laden with flour and indigo. In this attack, the *Huffar* had one man killed, and twelve wounded. The enemy had seventeen men killed, and thirty-five wounded; most of their crews escaped on shore in their boats. The *Huffar* being on a cruise off the island of Hispaniola, in the month of May, had the misfortune to strike on a rock, and was wrecked: three of her crew were drowned; the rest were saved, and soon after sent to Jamaica.

Intelligence was brought to the Commodore, of the arrival of M. de Blenac with a French squadron at Cape François, by the *Merlin* sloop, commanded by Captain Carteret, who was cruising off that port when the enemy's fleet made its appearance. It happened to be night; and the sloop not answering the private signal, expected every minute to be taken, as, from the signals made by M. de Blenac, some of his ships were ordered to chase. But the Captain fell on a stratagem which saved his ship. He hoisted a number of lights, and kept firing his guns as if he had been making signals to his own Admiral or Commodore. This scheme succeeded to his wish; the chasing ships were recalled; the French squadron made for the Cape with all the sail they could crowd, and entered that port in such confusion, that the *Dragon* of sixty-four guns, one of their squadron, run on a sand-bank, and was lost. So large a fleet, and such a number of troops as they brought with them, greatly alarmed the island of Jamaica, who dreaded an attack from the combined forces of France and Spain, especially when they learned that the latter had a very strong fleet at the Havannah. The Governor and Council immediately resolved to make application to General Monckton and Admiral Rodney for assistance. Orders having arrived about this time from England, restricting the General and Admiral from engaging in any new enterprize, no troops could be spared; but Admiral Rodney judging it absolutely necessary for the security of the island of Jamaica, to have a strong fleet there, dispatched Sir James Douglas

Douglas with ten sail of the line, to take the command of the fleet on the Jamaica station, until the arrival of Sir George Pocock.

In order to prevent a junction between the French and Spanish fleets, Sir James detached a squadron of ships (See Note 191.) under the command of the Honourable Captain Hervey, to block up the French squadron in Cape François; which service he performed with great activity. Soon after M. de Blenac's arrival, he wrote to the Governor of the Havannah, acquainting him of hostilities having commenced between Great Britain and Spain, and offering to come with his squadron to the Havannah to his assistance. The Governor, not dreading an attack, declined the offer; and he is reported to have said, that he would as soon suffer a British squadron to enter the port as a French one. Sir James Douglas exerted himself as much as possible to get the fleet at Jamaica ready for service, and sailed with it to the general rendezvous off Cape Nicholas; to which place Captain Hervey and his squadron were also ordered; and there they joined Sir George Pocock, of whose appointment and operations we shall now speak.

As soon as it was known for a certainty, that a rupture with the Court of Madrid was unavoidable, the British Ministry determined to avail themselves of the large body of land forces which was then in the West Indies, by attacking the Spaniards, as they had done the French, in some of their principal settlements, and they resolved to begin with the Havannah. This place was justly looked upon as the key to the Spanish settlements in the West Indies; and as it in a great measure cut off all communication between the colonies and the mother country, our attaining possession of it could not fail to be severely felt by the enemy. No time was to be lost; but the great difficulty lay in collecting a force sufficient for an enterprise of such importance. Orders were sent to General Monckton, to collect all the troops that could be spared from that part of the West Indies, which were reckoned at eight thousand men; four thousand were to be sent from England; about two thousand were expected to be drawn from Jamaica; and Sir Jeffrey Amherst having orders sent him to raise some men for this service in North America, these, with what regular troops he could spare, were estimated at four thousand; for

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that the army destined against the Havanna, when joined by the troops expected from North America, might be about fifteen or sixteen thousand effective men, (See Note 193.) As already mentioned, the army destined on this service was to be commanded by the Earl of Albemarle, and the fleet by Admiral Sir George Pocock. No more than five sail of the line were to accompany the Admiral and General from England.

The troops being embarked, the fleet sailed from Spithead, the 5th of March, and consisted of five sail of the line, (See Note 193.) thirty transports, nineteen store and victualing ships, and eight ships loaded with artillery and stores. Off Plymouth, they were joined by the St Florentine and Burford, who were ordered to see the fleet a considerable way to the westward. On the 11th, chase was given to a large sail; and the Valiant coming up with her, she struck, and proved to be the St Priest, a French East India ship, of seven hundred tons burden, having a crew of two hundred and thirty men, besides passengers, bound from the Isle of Bourbon to Port L'Orient, and laden with coffee and pepper. The Admiral sent the Burford to escort the prize to Plymouth. One of the store-ships ran foul of a transport, by which she was so much crippled, that she was unable to proceed on her voyage. The most material of her stores were taken out, and the vessel sent back to England, under convoy of the Rippon. Soon after, a violent storm separated the fleet, which did not completely unite again until the 20th of April, when the Namur arrived at Barbadoes, after a passage of forty-five days. Here the Admiral found most of his ships; as also the Rippon, which, with some of the transports, had arrived a few days before. A frigate, with letters from Rear-Admiral Rodney, was likewise there, with Major Monypenny, who had been sent by General Monckton to inform the Earl of Albemarle of the success with which his Majesty's arms had been attended, and to lay before his Lordship a state of the army under his command. On the 4th, the fleet sailed from Carlisle bay, and arrived in Cas des Barieres bay, in the island of Martinico, on the 26th.

Here Sir George Pocock and the Earl of Albemarle assumed the command of their respective departments, and every exertion was used to get all things in readiness for proceeding

on the secret expedition. A number of fascines were made by the soldiers, and put on board of transports and frigates; and orders were sent to Sir James Douglas to join Sir George Pocock with the fleet under his command, off Cape Nicholas in the Island of Hispaniola. General Monckton had the offer of the government of Martinico, or to go third in command in the expedition against the Havannah. But his health being greatly impaired by the West India climate, he chose to return to New York, to the government of which he had been appointed. Brigadier-General Rufane was appointed Governor of Martinico. The Earl of Albemarle divided the army into five brigades; (See Note 193.) The four companies of light infantry belonging to the regiments brought from England, and one battalion of grenadiers, were formed into a corps, and the command of it given to Colonel Carleton, now Lord Dorchester; while the command of the other two battalions of grenadiers was given to Colonel (now Sir William) Howe.

As soon as it was determined to send the Earl of Albemarle to the West Indies, orders were sent to the Governor of Jamaica, to raise two thousand stout negroes for the service of the army, in order to assist them in their various operations. He was instructed, at the same time, to endeavour to raise a corps of five hundred Negroes, to be formed into a regiment, and to act as soldiers. Of the former, fifteen hundred were raised, and did most excellent service during the siege; nor did the island turn the necessities of Government to their own emolument; on the contrary, they were furnished for five pence Sterling per day, although the price of labour was then at fifteen pence Sterling in that island. The latter corps, through some misunderstanding with the Governor and principal people of the island, did not take effect, except for one company. The Earl of Albemarle, when at Martinico, gave orders for purchasing eight hundred or a thousand Negroes in the different islands, lest those ordered to be hired at Jamaica should not be ready to join him.

Every thing being now in readiness, Sir George Pocock and the fleet sailed from Martinico on the 6th of May; and on the 8th, going through the Mona passage, they joined the ships under Captain Hervey, who was employed in blocking up M. de Blenac in the harbour of Cape Francois. On the 17th, they arrived off Cape

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Nicholas; and, on the 23d, were joined by Sir James Douglas with the squadron from Jamaica.

Now it was that the proper method of proceeding against the Havanna was concerted. The Admiral had two routes to make choice of. The easiest was to sail along the south side of the island of Cuba, get into the tract of the galleons, to come round the west end of the island, and so beat down to the Havanna. This route would require much time; and as so very much depended on dispatch, it is not to be wondered at, that Sir George Pocock took the shortest, although the most hazardous, of the two routes, and resolved to steer on the north side of the island of Cuba, through the intricate and dangerous passage, known by the name of the Old Straits of Bahama, a very narrow navigation, of near six hundred miles long. By so doing, however, he greatly shortened his voyage, and found the enemy unprepared for an attack; at the same time that he secured the only passage by which the French could send supplies to the Spaniards from Hispaniola. By avoiding the currents, and beating up against the trade-wind, the Admiral and General hoped to gain so much time, as to be able to complete their operations before the hurricane season set in.

All the necessary arrangements being made for landing the army, and every thing properly concerted with the naval officers, the Admiral formed his fleet into seven divisions. He dispatched Sir James Douglas, in the *Centurion*, to Jamaica, with orders to hasten the ships that were there, and, along with the trade for Europe, to bring such supplies of Negroes and provisions as that island could furnish. On the 27th of May, the Admiral made the signal, and the whole fleet, now consisting of about two hundred sail, bore away (See Note 193.) for the Old Straits of Bahama. The precautions used in this perilous navigation, cannot be better described, than is done by Sir George Pocock himself, in his letter to the Secretary of the Admiralty, dated Namur off Chorera river, July 14th, 1762; of which the following is an extract:—

"SIR,

"Agreeable to my intentions signified to you by my letter, dated the 26th of May, by the Barbadoes sloop, I bore away

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" with the fleet the next afternoon, having the day before sent
 " the Bonetta sloop, Captain Holmes, with a Providence pilot
 " on board him, to direct the vessels to their proper stations
 " on the Cuba side, and Bahama banks, that we might be
 " guided by their signals in our passage. Luckily, the next
 " day, the Richmond joined us: she had been down the Old
 " Straits of Cayo-Sal, and Captain Elphinstone had been very
 " diligent and careful in his remarks going through and re-
 " turning back, having taken sketches of the land and Cayos
 " on both sides. He kept ahead of the fleet, and led us through
 " very well. We passed the narrowest part in the night, be-
 " tween Cape Lobos and Cayo Comisito, keeping good fire-
 " lights on each Cayo for our directions; and found Lord
 " Anson's Spanish chart of the Old Straits a very just one.
 " The Providence pilot, who was on board the Bonetta sloop,
 " placed the Trent, Captain Lindsay, at the first station on
 " the Cuba side, forty leagues to the eastward of where she
 " ought to have been. This occasioned some of the others
 " never to find the Cayos where they were sent to lie on: but
 " no ill consequences attended it; though we find the pilots
 " in general ignorant of the passage. On the 2d, in the morn-
 " ing, the Alarm and Echo being ordered ahead to lie on
 " Cayo-Sal bank, the former made the signal for seeing five
 " sail in the N. W. quarter. They both chased, with other
 " ships; and about two in the afternoon, Captain Alms in
 " the Alarm, came up and engaged the Thetis, a Spanish fri-
 " gate of twenty-two guns, and one hundred and eighty men;
 " and the Phoenix store-ship, armed for war, of eighteen guns
 " and seventy-five men; and in three quarters of an hour
 " both struck to her. The Thetis had ten men killed, and
 " fourteen wounded; the Alarm had seven men killed, and
 " ten wounded. A brigantine and two schooners, were at first
 " in company with them; one of the latter escaped. They
 " were bound to Sagoa, in the Straits, for timber for the use
 " of the ships at the Havanna; from whence they had sailed
 " twelve days before.

" During all the passage through the Old Straits of Bahama
 " we had fine weather and little current; and on the 5th in the
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"6th, in the morning, brought to, about five leagues to the eastward of the Havanna, to issue out directions to the Captains of the fleet, and masters of the transports, with regard to the landing of the army: and having appointed the Honourable Commodore Keppel to conduct that part of the service, leaving with him six ships of the line, and some frigates, and having manned the flat-bottomed boats from the fleet, I bore away, about two o'clock in the afternoon, with thirteen ships of the line, two frigates, the bomb-ketches, and thirty-six sail of victuallers and store-ships, and run down off the harbour; where I saw twelve Spanish ships of the line, and several merchant-ships. Next morning, I embarked the marines' boats, and made a feint of landing about four miles to the westward of the Havanna. About the same time, the Earl of Albemarle landed with the whole army, without opposition, between the rivers Boca Nao and Coximar, about six miles to the eastward of the Moro: but there appearing a body of men near the shore, Mr Keppel ordered the Mercury and Bonetta sloop in shore, to scour the beach and woods; and a more considerable body appearing afterwards, as if they intended to oppose the Earl of Albemarle in passing the Coximar river, the Commodore ordered Captain Hervey in the Dragon, to run in and batter the castle, which in a short time he silenced, and the army passed unmolested."

From the prisoners made in the Spanish ships taken on the 2d instant, certain information was obtained of the situation of affairs at the Havanna. The Spaniards had a fleet of twelve sail of the line, two of them but just launched; two more on the stocks nearly finished, and several merchant-ships. The men of war were almost ready for sea; but no account had reached the Governor of the intended attack. The first account he received of it was from the crew of the schooner which escaped from our ships on the 2d instant. He then called a Council of war, composed of all his principal officers; to these were joined the Conde de Superunda, Lieutenant-General of his Catholic Majesty's forces, and late Viceroy of the kingdom of Peru; Don Diego Tavares, a Major-General, Knight of the Order of St Jago, and late Governor of Carthage;

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gena; these officers being accidentally at the Havanna, on their way home to Spain, from their late respective governments. In this Council, a plan of defence was settled, and a resolution taken to hold out to the last extremity. The Morro, being of the greatest consequence, and on the possession of which the fate of the Havanna in a great measure depended, was intrusted to the command of Don Louis de Velasco, Captain of the Reyno ship of war; and a more judicious choice could not have been made. He discharged this important trust with a courage and fidelity that has rendered his name immortal. The Marquis de Gonzales, Captain of the Aquilon ship of war, was appointed second in command. He imitated the example of Don Louis de Velasco in every respect, and died sword in hand, in defence of his trust. Before the Governor could array the militia of the island, it was necessary that war should be proclaimed in due form against Great Britain, which he lost no time in doing; and in the course of a few days, had an army nearly as numerous as that of the invaders. The garrison of the Havanna consisted at this time of

Nine squadrons of Cavalry, viz. One of the Havanna dragoons, four of the regiment of Arragon dragoons, and four of the regiment of Edinburgh dragoons; twenty men to each squadron, — — 810

INFANTRY.

Regiment of the Havanna,	—	—	700
— of Spain, two battalions,	—	—	1400
— of Arragon, ditto,	—	—	1400
Three companies of artillery,	—	—	300 — 3800

Total regular troops,	—	—	4610
Sailors and marines belonging to the fleet,	—	—	9000

Total of the Spanish forces at the Havanna,	13,610
Militia, and people of colour,	— — 14,000

Total,	— — — 27,610
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The greatest part of the regular infantry, and all their cavalry, together with a large body of militia, took post at the large village of Guanamacoa, with a design to prevent the British troops from getting round the harbour to attack the city on the west side.

The journal of the siege of the Havanna, as given by the chief engineer, contains such an ample account of all the various operations, that we beg leave to insert it here, together with such other particulars as have been communicated to the author.

"June 7th, Commodore Keppel had got every thing ready for disembarking the army, with a dispatch that did him great honour. By day-light, all the troops were in the flat-boats, and ranged in three divisions; the centre conducted by the Honourable Augustus Hervey; the right wing by Captains Barton and Drake; the left wing by Captains Arbuthnot and Jekyl; and the reserve by Captain Wheelock. The signal for landing being made by the Commodore from the Richmond; and there appearing a body of the enemy to oppose the landing, he ordered the Mercury and Bonetta sloop to scour the beach, and fire into the woods, upon which the enemy dispersed, and the whole army landed without opposition. The first debarkation consisted of the first brigade, grenadiers, and light infantry, commanded by Lieutenant-General Elliot, Major-General Keppel, and Brigadier-General Haviland. The Earl of Albemarle followed in the Valiant's barge, and General Laufusille commanded the debarkation of the other brigades. The whole formed on the beach; and when the debarkation was completed, the Earl of Albemarle began his march towards the Havanna: but, a very considerable body of the enemy appearing, as if to dispute the passage of Coximar river, the Commodore ordered Captain Hervey in the Dragon to batter Coximar fort, which in a short time he silenced; and Lord Albemarle, at the head of the light infantry and grenadiers, passed unmolested. His Lordship took up his headquarters there for that night. The troops lay on their arms along the beach; and the piquets were advanced into the woods;

“ woods. While the troops were landing on this side, Sir
 “ George Pocock made a feint on the Havanna side, in order to
 “ distract the enemy’s attention. He embarked all the marines
 “ in boats, and made a shew of landing about four miles to
 “ the westward of the city. To this motion the enemy was
 “ not inattentive, which greatly favoured the grand disembark-
 “ ation.

“ June 8th, Early in the morning Lord Albemarle marched
 “ the main body of the army to the village of Guanamacoa, about
 “ six miles from the landing-place, and sent Colonel Carleton
 “ through the Coximar wood, with a small corps of troops to
 “ the same village, to endeavour to cut off the retreat of a
 “ corps of the enemy said to be assembled there, and which
 “ his Lordship determined to attack. The enemy were most
 “ advantageously posted on a rising ground, and drawn up to
 “ receive our troops. This corps was composed of a large bo-
 “ dy of infantry, and all the enemy’s cavalry. Their numbers
 “ obliged Colonel Carleton to change his position; and as his
 “ corps did not exceed twelve hundred men, he thought the
 “ most prudent method would be, to occupy a strong post,
 “ which he did directly, and to acquaint Lord Albemarle of
 “ the enemy’s strength and position. His Lordship, with the
 “ army, was now got into the plain, and was separated only
 “ from the Colonel, by the river Coximar, a fordable stream.
 “ Lord Albemarle sent the Colonel orders to attack the enemy
 “ opposite to him, and he would attack them at the same time,
 “ on the opposite side of the village of Guanamacoa. No soon-
 “ er had Colonel Carleton put his troops in motion, than a
 “ large body of the enemy’s cavalry attacked the light infantry
 “ posted on the right of his corps; but being soon repulsed by
 “ the heavy fire with which they were received, they retreated
 “ in great confusion. This so much dispirited the rest of the
 “ Spaniards, amounting to near six thousand men, that they
 “ quickly retired; and Lord Albemarle entered the village
 “ without opposition.

“ Colonel Howe, with two battalions of grenadiers, was sent
 “ through the Coximar wood, by another road, to reconnoitre
 “ the Moro fort, and to secure the communication to that fort
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Richmond in shore, to found as near the Punta fort as possible, down along the west shore. They found anchoring-ground for three leagues down the coast, from twenty to five fathoms water, and easy landing for any number of men. The enemy, this afternoon, sunk one of their large ships in the entrance of the harbour. The Earl of Albemarle having brought saddles and bridles from England, for a troop of light dragoons, consisting of one hundred men, they were mounted on horses which were taken from the enemy. The command of them was given to Captain Suttie of the ninth regiment, and they proved exceedingly serviceable, both as patroles, and in driving in cattle. They were added to the corps left under the command of General Elliot at Guanamacoa.

9th. Lord Albemarle marched the army from Guanamacoa, and incamped in the woods between the Coximar and the Moro, leaving a corps at Guanamacoa, under the command of Lieutenant General Elliot, to secure the avenues on that side, and a large track of country, which might supply the army with water, cattle, and vegetables. The enemy now began to unrig their ships, sunk another large ship at the entrance, and laid a boom across the mouth of the harbour.

10th. Lord Albemarle having acquainted Sir George Pocock, that the Cavannos which commanded the Moro, were soon to be attacked; the Admiral, to facilitate that measure, and to draw the enemy's attention to the Havanna side, in the evening sent in the Belleisle, Captain Knight, to batter the castle of Chorera; the Nottingham was ordered to be ready to second the attack in case of need; and the Cerberus, Mercury, Bonetta, and Lurcher, were ordered to keep firing into the woods in the night; and all the marines were embarked in boats, to make the enemy imagine a disembarkation was intended. In the evening, Colonel Carleton, with the light infantry and grenadiers from Coximar, invested the Cavannos: and, about mid-day of the 11th, attacked and carried the redoubt, with very little loss: the enemy made but little resistance; and retreated into the Moro, which was now invested. At this place was a post established, called by the name of the Spanish Redoubt. Just at the time Colonel Carleton attacked the Cavannos,

" the enemy quitted the castle of Chorera. The Admiral ordered the three bomb-ketches to anchor this night, to throw shells into the town, which they accordingly performed, under cover of the Edgar, Stirling-Castle, and Echo.

" 12th. The Moro fort was, by order of Lord Albemarle, further reconnoitred, and the siege of it intrusted to Major-General Keppel. From the chief engineer's opinion, it was resolved to erect a battery against it, as near as the cover of the woods would admit of; and the place pitched upon for the battery, was within two hundred and fifty yards distance. Preparations were accordingly made, and parties ordered to make fascines. The hardships which the army sustained in carrying on this siege, are almost inexpressible: the soil was every where so thin, that it was with great difficulty and fatigue they could cover themselves in their approaches. There being no spring or river near them, it was necessary to bring water from a great distance; and so precarious and scanty was this supply, that they were obliged to have recourse to water from the ships. Roads for communication were to be cut through thick woods; the artillery was to be dragged for several miles over a rough rocky country. Several dropped down dead with heat, thirst, and fatigue. But such was the resolution of our people, and such the happy consequences of that happy and perfect unanimity which subsisted between the land and the sea-services, that no difficulties, no hardships, slackened for a moment the operations against this important, strong, and well defended place. The enemy having sunk a third large ship in the entrance of the harbour, which entirely blocked it up, the Admiral ordered four ships of the line to continue cruising in the offing, and anchored with the rest of his squadron off Chorera river, about four miles from the Havanna; which place afforded plenty of good water and wood. Commodore Keppel remained on the east side, at anchor off Coximar river, with as many ships of war and transports as were necessary. He landed a considerable body of seamen, who were extremely useful in landing the cannon, and ordnance stores of all kinds, manning the batteries, making fascines, and in supplying the army with water, there being no wa-

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“ter or wells on the Cavannos. The Admiral landed cannon
 “of different calibers from the ships, two mortars from the
 “Thunder bomb on the east side, two from the Grenado bomb
 “on the west side, with old cables for erecting defences, old
 “canvas for making sand bags, and ammunition; afforded
 “every other assistance that was in his power; and set him-
 “self the example of the cordiality and harmony which subsist-
 “ed between the two corps.

“13th. The battery already mentioned was begun, as also
 “a howitzer battery, beyond the Spanish redoubt, to remove
 “the shipping farther up the harbour, to prevent them from
 “molesting the troops in their approaches, which in their pre-
 “sent situation they did very much. Lord Albemarle order-
 “ed two battalions of grenadiers, and three hundred light in-
 “fantry, under the command of Colonel Howe, to land at
 “Chorera, to secure a footing, and engage some part of the
 “enemy’s attention upon that side. To this detachment the
 “Admiral added eight hundred marines, formed into two
 “battalions, under the command of Majors Campbell and Col-
 “lins. Captain Walker of the Lurcher cutter, going up
 “Chorera river, out of mere curiosity, was killed.

“The great scarcity of earth made the approaches go on a-
 “gainst the Moro but slowly, as it took the army from this
 “to the 29th, during which time their fatigues were incre-
 “dible, before they got the cannon, mortar, and howitzer
 “batteries ready to play upon the Moro and shipping.

“29th. At day-break, the enemy landed two detachments
 “of five hundred men each, of grenadiers and chosen men,
 “with a detachment of armed Negroes and Mulattoes; one
 “upon the right under the Moro, the other upon the left near
 “the Lime-kiln. The piquets and advanced posts, prevent-
 “ed the success of these detachments, by repulsing them;
 “killing, and taking near two hundred, besides wounding a
 “great number, who mostly got off by favour of the woods.
 “Our loss was only ten men killed and wounded.

“30th. This day was chiefly taken up in carrying ammuni-
 “tion and such necessities to the several batteries, to provide
 “for their opening next morning; which was done by the
 “soldiers, and five hundred Blacks, purchased by Lord Albe-

"marle at Martinico and Antigua, for that purpose. Lord
 "Albemarle having signified to the Admiral, as the batte-
 "ries were to open next day, that some ships placed a-
 "gainst the Moro, would take a great deal of the enemy's fire
 "from the batteries, and give them an opportunity of dis-
 "mounting some of their guns. The Admiral accordingly or-
 "dered the Dragon, Cambridge, and Marlborough, under the
 "command of Captain Hervey, who volunteered in this service.
 "The Stirling-Castle was ordered to lead until the first ship
 "was properly placed, and then to make sail off; but Captain
 "Campbell not performing that service agreeable to the orders
 "he received from Captain Hervey, he complained of him,
 "and desired his conduct might be inquired into by a Court-
 "martial; which was done after the siege was over, and he
 "was cashiered.

"July 1st. This morning, two batteries of cannon opened,
 "which, with those of mortars, made our fire as follows:

" Batteries,	Guns.				Mortars.			
	24 pdrs. 13 in.				10 in. Royal			
" On the left, called William's battery,	4	—	2	—	0	—	0	—
" Grand battery, — — —	8	—	2	—	0	—	0	—
" Left parallel, — — —	0	—	0	—	2	—	12	—
" Batteries on the beach, — — —	0	—	2	—	1	—	14	—
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" Total, — — —	12	—	6	—	3	—	26	—

"The enemy's fire exceeded ours upon the front attacked,
 "in number of guns, which amounted to sixteen or seventeen,
 "from six to twelve pounders. They played one mortar of
 "eight inches, and that very seldom. Upon the whole, our
 "fire was considerably superior to theirs; besides, our works
 "were more secure, theirs being only a parapet of thin ma-
 "sonry. This morning, the Cambridge, Dragon, and Marl-
 "borough, proceeded to their stations, (Captain Hervey hav-
 "ing the signal out for the line), and about eight o'clock be-
 "gan to cannonade with great fury, which the enemy return-
 "ed with much steadiness. This firing, one of the warmest
 "ever seen, continued till two in the afternoon, without in-
 "termission.

“termiffion. The Cambridge (which was within grape-shot),
 “was fo much damaged in her hull, maffs, yards, fails, and
 “rigging, with the lofs of many men killed and wounded,
 “that it became neceffary to order her off; and, foon after,
 “the Dragon, which fuffered much in lofs of men, and da-
 “mage in her hull; and, as the Marlborough could be of no
 “further fervice, fhe was ordered off likewise. The number
 “of the killed and wounded were as follows :

“ Ships.		Killed.		Wounded.
“ Dragon,	—	16	—	37
“ Cambridge,	—	24	—	95
“ Marlborough,	—	2	—	8
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“ Total,		42	—	140

“The Captains, officers, and men, behaved, upon this occa-
 “fion, with the greateft refolution. Captain Goofrey of the
 “Cambridge, was killed foon after the fhip brought up : his
 “place was fupplied, during the remainder of the action, by
 “Captain Lindfay of the Trent, who gave many ftrong proofs
 “of his valour, and fhewed himfelf worthy to fucceed the
 “brave, but unfortunate Goofrey. In this cannonade, the
 “Moro, which is fituated upon a very high and fteep rock,
 “had great advantages over the fhips, and was proof againft
 “all their efforts ; befides, the fire from the Moro, the Punta,
 “and fome batteries in the town, brought many guns to bear
 “on them, which galled them very much. This bold attempt,
 “though it had very little effect upon the works on that fide
 “of the fort which the fhips attacked, was neverthelefs of con-
 “fiderable fervice. The enemy’s attention being diverted
 “to that fide, the other was a good deal neglected : the fire
 “from our batteries was poured in with redoubled fury ;
 “became fuperior to that of the enemy, and did great dam-
 “age to their works. But the moment the Spaniards were
 “free from the fire of our fhips, they again returned to the
 “front our batteries played on, behaved with great valour,
 “and returned our fire with great brisknefs. Never, from
 “the beginning of the war, had British valour been fo well
 “matched ;

"matched; and they might now behold in Don Velasco, the
 "Governor of the Moro, an adversary worthy of their arms,
 "whose conduct seemed to be such, as made them exert all
 "their military skill and spirit to subdue him.

"2d. Our batteries continued their fire with great success,
 "and beat down the front attacked, particularly the eight-
 "gun battery; but, unhappily, about noon, we were obliged
 "to slacken, that battery being in danger of catching fire,
 "from the constant fire kept up, and the dryness of the fi-
 "scines, having had no rain for fourteen days. However,
 "before evening, the enemy's fire was reduced to two guns,
 "which fired but seldom.

"3d. The fire which our people flattered themselves was
 "extinguished, broke out about two in the morning again
 "with great violence; and, though both water and people
 "were sent as fast as possible, they came too late; the fire
 "had got so great a length, that water had no effect, nor
 "could earth stifle it. Thus was the labour of seventeen
 "days, of five or six hundred men, destroyed in a few hours,
 "and the whole to do over again. This was a mortifying
 "stroke, and was felt the more severely, as the other hardships
 "of the siege were by this time almost grown insupportable.
 "Sickness, something of which the troops brought with them
 "from Martinico, and which had increased greatly in this un-
 "wholesome country, and rigorous service, had reduced the
 "army to half its numbers; at the same time, it doubled the
 "fatigue of those few who still preserved some strength to per-
 "form the necessary duty. No less, at this time, than five
 "thousand soldiers, and three thousand seamen, were down
 "of various distempers. A total want of good provisions ex-
 "asperated the disease, and retarded the recovery. The defi-
 "ciency of water was of all their grievances the greatest, and
 "extremely aggravated all the rest of their sufferings. The
 "procuring from a distance this wretched supply, so unequal
 "to their wants, exhausted all their force. Besides, as the
 "season advanced, the prospect of success grew fainter. The
 "hurricane season was now at hand, and if it set in vio-
 "lently, the fleet would be exposed to inevitable ruin; and
 "without its assistance, the army, in its feeble situation, could

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not carry on the siege. But, in the midst of these cruel distresses, the steadiness of the commanders infused life and activity into the troops, and roused them to incredible exertions. New batteries arose in the place of the old ones. The fire soon became equal, and then superior to the enemy's. There was another embrazure added to William's battery.

4th and 5th. All means were exerted these two nights to extinguish the fire; and with much difficulty, there were two embrazures saved upon the right, and the epaulement for mortars upon the left. The first of these embrazures were continued until the guns were disabled; and two more were served en barbette, until the enemy's fire obliged the men to give them up*. It was now determined to convert the mortar battery, in the left parallel, into a battery for cannon, which was accordingly begun; and to make some improvements in the other works, which the enemy's fire from the town, Fort la Punta, ships of war, and floating batteries, had rendered necessary.

The Defiance and Hampton-Court having been ordered to cruise between port Mariel and the bay of Honda, in going down, saw two sail at anchor off port Mariel harbour; which Captain M'Kenzie of the Defiance brought out, after some firing had passed. All their crews, except twenty men, had left them. They proved to be the Vengeance, of twenty-six, and Marté, of eighteen guns, and had been out on a cruise.

6th. Two more embrazures were added this night to William's battery; and a place fixed upon, near the stone redoubt, for another battery of four guns.

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* There appears evidently a great mistake to have been committed, in erecting the grand battery so near the Moro fort, and in concluding that the place would be easily taken after the enemy's guns should be dismounted, which it was supposed the grand battery would soon effect: this cost the lives of many men. After the grand battery was burned, another plan was adopted; the new batteries which were erected, were placed at double the distance from the Moro fort that the old one was; and it was found necessary to ruin the defences of the place, before they approached too close to it. The mistake here alluded to, protracted the siege at least three weeks longer than it otherwise would have been, and occasioned great additional fatigue to the troops.

" 9th. This morning there were twelve guns in battery, viz.
 " William's battery of seven guns, the left parallel of five
 " guns, besides mortars. The enemy fired about eight or
 " nine.

" 10th. At night, a battery of four guns was begun on the
 " left parallel.

" 11th. This morning the four gun battery near the stone re-
 " doubt, and two guns upon the saved part of the grand battery
 " newly repaired, opened, and played with success. We had
 " now eighteen guns in play, to eight or nine which the ene-
 " my still kept up : for, by their uninterrupted communication
 " with the town, and the great assistance of their sailors, who
 " served their guns, they always made good the losses in the
 " night, that they had sustained in the day. This forenoon,
 " two guns in the left parallel battery failed, one by running,
 " the other by cracking ; the carriage of a third was disabled
 " on William's battery. In the afternoon, the merlons of the
 " grand battery again caught fire, and extended from right to
 " left ; when the whole was irreparably consumed.

" 12th. The disabled guns in the left parallel, and in Wil-
 " liam's battery, were replaced last night, so that sixteen guns
 " still continued to play upon the enemy. Toward noon, the
 " carriages of the three guns in the stone redoubt were dis-
 " abled. Sir James Douglas arrived with the Jamaica fleet.

" 13th. This morning, a battery of four thirty-two pounders
 " opened on the right parallel, against the left bastion, and
 " made considerable havock. Another battery of four guns
 " was ordered to be made upon the right of it, as soon as the
 " materials could be collected. The ruins of the burnt bat-
 " tery, were ordered to be converted into a line for musketry.

" 14th. The four guns in the stone redoubt battery, were
 " last night mounted on sea carriages. There were now
 " twenty guns, against five or six of the enemy's, which they
 " began with in the morning, and before dark they were re-
 " duced to two. The whole front attacked, appeared in a
 " ruinous condition ; yet the enemy, though kept in con-
 " stant hurry and confusion, behaved with spirit. Prepara-
 " tions for carrying on the approaches had now been in hand
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"gabions; the men of war in making junk, blinds, or man-
"telets; and some bales of cotton were purchased from the
"Jamaica fleet, to serve as wool-packs. All these prepara-
"tions and precautions were absolutely necessary, as, on ac-
"count of the rocks, the whole approaches were obliged to
"be raised above ground.

"15th. The enemy's fire was totally silenced before night.

"16th. The enemy fired in the morning from two guns,
"and only twice from each. The rest of the day they fired
"from musketry and wall-pieces, but not much from either.
"The approaches began to be advanced this evening: the
"guns and ammunition were carried to the new battery.
"The enemy seemed to be employed in making up fresh mer-
"lons upon the face of the right bastion.

"17th. The Valiant's battery opened this morning between
"ten and eleven. The enemy had no fire on the front at-
"tacked; but fired two guns from the left bastion upon Wil-
"liam's battery, and up along the Cavannos. This after-
"noon, the gabions began to be stuffed with fascines, for ad-
"vancing the sap. In the evening, the sap was begun; but,
"there being a thick thorny wood to cut through, was ad-
"vanced but little way.

"18th. The enemy's fire this morning was the same as yef-
"terday. Two howitzers put into Dixon's battery, to fire in-
"to the breaches. The sap was carried on this night about
"two thirds of the way to the small battery at the foot of the
"forties before the right bastion. A small lodgement was
"made at the edge of the wood, before the point of the west
"bastion.

"19th. The enemy fired this morning with three guns from
"the front attacked; but they were soon silenced. About
"noon, possession was taken of the covered way before the
"point of the right bastion; and the former sap carried on at
"night, and another begun along the covered way before the
"right face, where a lodgement was made.

"20th. This morning, the miners were entered under the
"right or sea face of the right bastion, the only place where
"there was a practicability of doing it at the foot of the wall;
"for the ditch of the front attacked was seventy feet deep

" from the edge of the counterscarp, and upwards of forty
 " feet of that depth sunk in the rock; but fortunately there
 " was a thin edge of the rock left at the point of the bastion,
 " to cover the extremity of the ditch from being open to the
 " sea, and to prevent surprizes; and by means of this ridge,
 " the miner passed with some difficulty to the foot of the wall,
 " which he could do nowhere else without the help of scaling-
 " ladders; an operation both tedious and dangerous. This
 " ridge was so narrow, that there was no possibility of cover-
 " ing a passage upon it, from the fire of the opposite flank;
 " but they took their chance, and were glad to find it even
 " with that disadvantage. It cost only three or four men
 " during the whole time. A shaft was begun to be sunk, the
 " same afternoon, without the covered way, for mines to
 " throw the counterscarp into the ditch, to fill it up in case
 " of occasion. The sap was continued along the glacis, and a
 " gun was got into the salient angle of the covered way, a-
 " gainst the opposite flank. In the day-time, parties were
 " kept making fascines, and other preparations, against the
 " town, after the Moro should be taken.

" The sappers and miners continued their work, but were
 " much interrupted by meeting often with large stones, which
 " cost them much labour to remove. In the night, there
 " being a suspicion that there were very few men in the fort,
 " a serjeant and twelve men scaled the sea-line, a little to the
 " right of the mine, and found only about nine or ten men
 " asleep in that part of the work: they awoke before the se-
 " jeant and his party got up to them, and ran off immediately
 " to alarm the rest. The serjeant and his party then came
 " down; and on being ordered up a second time, found
 " they had taken the alarm, that considerable numbers were
 " assembled, and ready to oppose any farther attempt. Had
 " it been possible to have succoured this party briskly, the fort
 " might have been carried at this time; but the enemy being
 " on their guard, the attempt was not to be repeated.

" 21st. It now became evident to the Governor of the Ha-
 " vanna, that the Moro must be speedily reduced, if left to its
 " own strength. At all events, something appeared necessary
 " to be done; and, in the present exigency of affairs, he resolved

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to strike such a blow, as, if it succeeded, would not only give immediate relief to the Moro, but in all probability oblige the siege to be raised. His plan was admirably well laid, but most miserably executed. He ordered a party from the town of near fifteen hundred men. These he ferried over the harbour in boats before day; and dividing them into three bodies, they were ordered to attack the posts on the Cavannos, drive our people from thence, and set fire to the fascine batteries and sap. Had this plan taken place, there is little doubt but the enterprize must have been abandoned. The burning of the batteries the first time, was a severe stroke; the erecting them a second time, was attended with great fatigue: the army was now extremely sickly; no word of the succours from North America; and had the enemy succeeded in their designs, it would have been impossible for the exhausted troops to have collected materials to form the siege anew: but such was the resolution of our troops, that the enemy, although greatly superior in numbers, were not able to ruin any one part of the works. The enemy began the attack about four in the morning. The first party pushed up the bank behind the Shepherd's battery: here they were stopped near an hour by the guard posted there, consisting only of thirty men, commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel Stuart of the ninetyeth regiment, until he was joined by about one hundred sappers, and the third battalion of Royal Americans. The fire continued hot all that time. The enemy were then driven down the hill with great slaughter: as many as could, got into their boats, and many leapt into the water, where one hundred and fifty of them were killed or drowned. The second party endeavoured to push up by the salient angle of the Moro, to attack the sappers upon the glacis, and their covering party; but they were beat off in a very short time. The third party, went up the back of the Spanish redoubt; but finding the guard there reinforced, and ready to receive them, they prudently returned the way they came, without attempting any thing. Colonel Carleton was Brigadier-General of the day (having acted as Brigadier since Lord Rollo left the army), and had a great share in repulsing the enemy: he was pre-

“sent every where; brought up the Royal regiment, thirty-fourth regiment, and Royal Americans, to the assistance of the posts; and received a bad wound in pursuing the enemy down the hill, where the slaughter was very great. In order to cover the retreat of their party, the Spaniards cannonaded most furiously from the Punta, the west bastion, from the lines and flanks at the entrance of the harbour, and from their shipping; and so eager were they to repulse our troops, that their shot killed a number of their own people. In this attack the enemy had four hundred men killed, drowned, or taken prisoners, besides the wounded that got off. Our loss was only fifty men killed and wounded. At the time the enemy were attacking, there were great numbers paraded in the town, and some of them going into boats to sustain the attack; but when they perceived the rough treatment their comrades had met with, they prudently desisted. The alarm was entirely over, and the men returned to their work, by eight o'clock.

“This was the last effort for the relief of the Moro, which abandoned as it was by the city, and while an enemy was undermining its walls, held out with a fullen resolution, and made no proposal to capitulate.

“23d. The works of sapping, mining, and making fascines prosecuted with vigour.

“24th. The same works going on; and materials were collected for erecting a battery of four guns, to be opened against La Fuerza, and to enfilade the two next flanks facing the entrance of the harbour.

“25th. The same works in hand, and preparations making for attacking the city, against the Moro should be taken.

“26th. The former works in hand. This morning, a merchant-frigate of two decks, which had much annoyed our people, was sunk by a howitzer from Dixon's battery. She was moored across the entrance, before the west bastion within the boom, and near the sunk ships.

“27th. The former works continued in hand, and a mortar battery begun at the Spanish redoubt; likewise a battery begun for three guns, to fire upon boats landing at the Moro. This would have been of considerable service all along, if it

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" could have been served without erecting other batteries to
" check the fire of the Moro itself, upon that side ; but that
" could not be undertaken, as the troops found sufficient em-
" ployment in the works of the real attack.

" 28th. The former works in hand. This afternoon, a
" large merchant ship of the enemy's caught fire by lightning,
" within the harbour, and blew up in about ten minutes.
" Great preparations making for attacking the city. Brigadier
" General Burton arrived with the first division of the troops
" from North America, under convoy of the *Intrepide* ; they
" were ordered to the west side : the arrival of fresh troops at
" this critical time, reanimated the soldiers drooping spirits,
" and made them strain every nerve to obtain possession of the
" long wished-for prize. They had sailed from New York
" the 11th of June ; and on the 24th of July, the *Chesterfield*
" and four transports run on *Cayo Comfite*, the entrance of
" the *Bahama straits*, on the *Cuba* side, an hour before day-
" light, and were stranded, but lost no seamen or soldiers.
" The *Intrepide* met the *Richmond* the 25th, who was look-
" ing out for the convoy. Captain *Elphinstone* returned with
" three transports, which were cleared, in order to bring away
" the seamen and troops who were on shore ; and, for the
" more dispatch, the Admiral sent away the *Echo*, *Cygnets*,
" and *Thunder bomb*, to meet the *Richmond*, and take the
" men out of her ; and he ordered Captain *Elphinstone* to
" take the *Cygnets* with him and proceed up the straits, to meet
" the second division of the transports.

" 29th. The former works in hand. The mines were this
" day prepared for springing to-morrow.

" 30th. About two this morning, the enemy sent two boats
" and a floating battery out of the harbour, to fire into the
" ditch where the miners were at work : they fired grape and
" small arms, but without any other effect, than a short in-
" terruption of the work : the covering party fired so smartly
" upon them, that they were soon obliged to retire. About
" two o'clock in the afternoon, the mines were sprung. That
" in the counterscarp, had a very inconsiderable effect ; but
" that in the bastion having thrown down a part of both faces,
" made a breach, which the General and chief engineer
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"thought practicable; upon which the troops under orders
 "for the assault, were ordered to mount. Lieutenant Charles
 "Forbes of the Royal led the way, and ascended the breach
 "with the greatest resolution; and, forming very expeditiously
 "upon the top of the breach, soon drove the enemy from e-
 "very part of the ramparts. The brave Don Louis de Velas-
 "co, who had made so noble a defence, exerted himself to
 "the last to save the fortrefs committed to his charge; and in
 "endeavouring to rally his men *, was mortally wounded.
 "Besides this loss, which was of itself considerable, the ene-
 "my had about one hundred and thirty men and several of-
 "ficers killed; four hundred threw down their arms, and were
 "made prisoners; the rest were either killed in boats, or drown-
 "ed in attempting to escape to the Havanna. Some few
 "desperate Spaniards retired to the Light-house in the Moro;
 "and, while Lieutenants Forbes, Nugent of the ninth, and
 "Holroyd of the ninetieth regiments, were congratulating each
 "other on their victory, they fired upon them, and killed the
 "two latter: Mr Forbes, exasperated at the death of his com-
 "panions, immediately marched, attacked, and forced the
 "light-house, and put all in it to the sword. This glorious
 "affair, cost two officers and about thirty men killed and
 "wounded. The Marquis Gonzales, the second in command
 "in the Moro, was killed whilst he was making brave but ineffec-
 "tual efforts to rally his men. The taking of the Moro, gave
 "universal joy to the troops; and when the fatigues they un-
 "derwent in besieging of it is considered, none will doubt
 "their sincerity. The possession of this fort, cost forty-four
 "days hard struggle from the time the first operations had
 "been begun against it; during which time, the Spaniards
 "lost a thousand men; nor did we obtain it without blood
 "shed.

* Don Louis de Velasco, was mortally wounded coming up the slope to the
 rampart. The storm was a kind of surprize, as our troops were upon the rampart
 part before the alarm was given to the garrison, which was then in the Casemate.
 Every attention was paid by the conquerors to the brave Don Louis de Velasco,
 he requested to be conveyed to the Havanna, which was immediately complied with,
 and he died there two days afterwards. In such high estimation did his Catholic
 Majesty hold the conduct of this gallant officer, that he not only ennobled him
 by creating him Viscount Moro, but ordered that there should always be a ship
 the Spanish navy, named the VELASCO.

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" 31st. No time was now lost in getting all things ready to attack the town; and the enemy, sensible of their approaching danger, fired very briskly against the Moro, and pointed chiefly against that part of the fort where the cistern was, in hopes, no doubt, of letting out the water. Batteries for cannon and mortars, were constructing with the greatest expedition along the Cavannos; and Lord Albemarle went to the west side of the town to reconnoitre the ground there, and see in what manner attacks might be carried on with most advantage on that side, in case of occasion.

" August 1st. The enemy still continued to cannonade the Moro. Major General Keppel, gave orders for erecting the remainder of the batteries upon the Cavannos, agreeable to the plan given in by the chief engineer; some by the first and third brigades, and some by the sailors.

" 2d. This morning, before day, the enemy sent down a seventy gun ship into the entrance, and moored her opposite the Fuerza; she directed her fire likewise against the Moro. Two howitzers were run into the battery to fire at her, which incommoded her a good deal. The batteries mentioned yesterday, were begun, and consisted of thirty-five pieces of cannon. The Echo and Thunder bomb, returned with the second division of transports, which sailed from New York the 30th of June.

" 3d. The former works in hand, and carried on with great diligence. This evening, the enemy's ship opposite to the Fuerza, was removed by the howitzers with a good deal of confusion.

" 4th. The chief engineer reported to Lord Albemarle, that there was to the westward of the town, a very advantageous attack to be formed against the Poligons, next the Punta, by the cover of a bank running along shore, from the Lazaro to Fort La Punta, supposing that fort silenced: that there was a road upon the bank, which was, for a considerable way, covered both from Fort La Punta and every part of the town: that the road was at present stopped up by trees felled on each side, but might be easily cleared: but as attacks upon that ground would in some degree stand in the line of fire of our batteries upon the opposite side, it would
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"be most adviseable to delay them, until these batteries had in some measure effected their design; and especially as they might of themselves, perhaps, answer the end without further trouble.

"5th. The works and batteries on the Moro side in hand as before, and some of the platforms begun to be laid. It was now difficult to get materials for this purpose, those from England and Martinico being all expended; but, by the Admiral's assistance, the materials were got. Lord Albemarle took up his head-quarters this evening on the west side.

"6th. The works in hand as yesterday; and being considerably advanced, and the men much fatigued, there was none allowed for this night. Thirty carpenters, from the Provincial troops, lately arrived, were employed to assist in making platforms. A command of engineers and a proportion of intrenching tools were ordered to the west road, the former to go as soon as the batteries and works on the east side should be ready, and the tools to be shipped immediately. The chief engineer was ordered to repair to that side, and remain there.

"7th. The former works on the east side kept going on, and fascine parties ordered to work on the west side.

"8th. The former works in hand on the east side; but fascine making was retarded considerably on the west side, for want of tools. This afternoon the ship arrived on the west side with the intrenching tools; but the crew being sickly, there were none landed. In the evening, Lord Albemarle went himself, and reconnoitred the road and ground from the Lazaro and the Punta, and ordered some posts to be taken farther advanced.

"The Richmond, Lizard, Enterprize, Cygnet, and Porcupine sloop arrived, bringing with them all the seamen and soldiers from the ships that were wrecked. Captain Banks of the Lizard informed the Admiral, that, on the 21st of July, at three o'clock in the afternoon, being near the passage between Maya Guanna and the North Caicos, he discovered two French ships of the line, three frigates, and five sail of brigantines and sloops; that the men of war and frigates gave chase to the convoy, and that five of the trans-

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ports were taken, with three hundred and fifty of the fifty-eighth regiment (Anstruther's), and one hundred and fifty Provincials on board them. The rest of the troops arrived, and landed in perfect health.

"9th. The intrenching tools were landed this day by the assistance of the men of war. The enemy having discovered our reconnoitring towards the Punta for some days, set some houses near the road on fire, to prevent their being a shelter for us. In the evening, there was a party of two hundred men ordered to make a redoubt upon the road to the Punta, with a covering party of the same number: the place intended for the redoubt, which was partly upon the road, being much incumbered as mentioned before, all they could do, was to clear off the trees, and form an abbatis in the front and flanks for present defence.

"10th. At day-break this morning, the enemy having discovered the covering party, and suspecting our having been at work, began to cannonade along the road pretty warmly, but with little execution. About ten in the morning, our batteries being ready to open on the east, and those on the west side to open ground, Lord Albemarle sent a flag of truce by an Aid-de-camp, to acquaint the Governor with the ruin that threatened the place, and summoned him to capitulate. The Governor, after keeping the flag of truce from that time till between three and four in the afternoon, in the open fields, at some hundred yards distance from the works, sent him back; and, before he got two thirds of the way, began to fire; at the same time, many people were seen leaving the town with loads: in the evening, there was a party sent to carry on the works as before.

"11th. At day-break this morning, all our batteries opened, consisting of forty-five pieces of cannon, and eight mortars. The advantage of position, as well as of superior fire, became visible very soon. Fort la Punta was silenced between nine and ten; the north bastion, in about an hour afterwards; but now and then fired a shot. Between one and two, a great number of the enemy were discovered running off from the Punta, as if they had abandoned it. About two o'clock, there were flags of truce hung out all

"round the garrison, and on board the Admiral's ship; soon
 "after, there arrived a flag of truce at the head-quarters,
 "which proved to be with proposals for a capitulation.

"Sir George Pocock was immediately sent for, and the
 "business entered upon as soon as he came. The works were
 "stopped for this night; and the flag returned about dusk.

"12th. The truce continued.—This day the flag was sent
 "in and returned; and sent in again in the evening. The
 "works were ordered to be carried on as before, which gave
 "room to expect that hostilities were to be renewed in the
 "morning; but, before that time, the capitulation was se-
 "tled.

"13th. This day the capitulation was signed and sealed.

"14th. About ten this morning, Major-General Keppel,
 "with five hundred men, took possession of fort la Punta; and
 "about noon, of the Punta gate and bastion; at both which
 "places, there were British colours hoisted, having been ex-
 "posed by the enemy. Colonel Howe took possession of the
 "land gate, with two battalions of grenadiers, about the same
 "time."

The Spaniards struggled a long time to save their men in
 war; but this was a capital point, and wholly inadmissible.
 They also made some attempts to have the harbour declared
 neutral during the war, (as may be seen from the capitulation)
 which, in fact, was declaring its consequence; but as this was
 no less essential to render the conquest complete, it was
 steadily refused. After two days altercation on these sub-
 jects, they gave up the points in question, and our troops were
 put in possession of the Havanna, after having lain before it
 for two months and eight days. With the city, was yielded
 district of an hundred and eighty miles to the westward. This
 conquest was, without doubt, in itself the most considerable, and
 in its consequences the most decisive, of any we had made since
 the beginning of the war; and in no operation, were the cou-
 rage, steadiness, and perseverance of the British troops, and
 the conduct of their leaders, more conspicuous. The acqui-
 sition of this place, united in itself all the advantages which
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the highest class: By its effect on the enemy's marine, it was equal to the greatest naval victory; and in the plunder, it equalled the produce of a national subsidy. Nine sail of the enemy's line-of-battle ships were taken. Three of their capital ships, as already mentioned, had been sunk by themselves at the beginning of the siege: two more were in forwardness upon the stocks, and were afterwards destroyed by the captors. The enemy, on this occasion, lost a whole fleet of ships of war, besides a number of considerable merchant ships. And, in ready money, in tobacco collected at the Havanna on account of the King of Spain, and in other valuable merchandizes, the sum lost by the enemy, perhaps, did not fall short of three millions sterling.

Lord Albemarle dispatched Captain Nugent home with a letter to the Earl of Egremont, of which, the following is a copy:

MY LORD,

*Head-quarters, near the Havanna,
August 21st, 1762.*

"I have the honour of informing your Lordship, that the town off the Havanna, with all its dependencies, and men of war in the harbour, surrendered to his Majesty's arms by capitulation the 13th instant.

"Inclosed is a copy of the capitulation (See Note 193.), various returns, and the chief engineer's continuation of the journal of the siege of the Moro fort, which was taken by storm on the 30th of July last month; so much to the honour and credit of his Majesty's troops, and to Major General Keppel, who commanded the attack, that I should do them injustice, if I did not mention them in a particular manner to your Lordship. Our mines were sprung about one o'clock, and a breach made, just practicable for a file of men in front. The enemy was drawn up on the top of it in force, with a seeming determination to defend it. The attack was so vigorous and impetuous, that the enemy was instantaneously drove from the breach, and his Majesty's standard planted on the bastion.

"I did not send a particular express with this good news to your Lordship, because I flattered myself, that what has happened,

"happened, would soon be the consequence of our success at fort Moro.

"On the 11th in the morning, by a signal from the fort we opened our batteries against the town and Punta formosa. The guns and mortars were so well served by the artillery and sailors, and their effect so great, that, in less than 24 hours, all the guns in the fort and north bastion were silenced. The Governor hung out the white flag, and began a parley; at the same time, sent out an officer to propose a cessation of arms for twenty-four hours, in order to prepare the articles of capitulation.

"I sent on board the *Namur*, to the Admiral, to inform him of the Governor's proposals.

"Sir George Pocock immediately came to my quarters, and we agreed to a suspension of hostilities to the 13th, at twelve o'clock.

"I summoned the Governor on the 10th. His answer was very civil and proper; at the same time saying he would defend his town to the last extremity.

"The difficulties the officers and soldiers have met with, and the fatigues they have so cheerfully and resolutely gone through since the army first landed on this island, are not to be described. They deserve from me the greatest commendations: and I must entreat your Lordship to take the first opportunity of informing his Majesty, how much I think myself obliged to Lieutenant-General Elliot, and the rest of the general officers under my command; to every officer and soldier in the army; and to the officers and sailors of his Majesty's fleet, for the zealous manner in which they have carried on the service, and for the great assistance they have received from them. Happy we shall think ourselves if our conduct meets with his Majesty's approbation.

"Sir George Pocock, and Commodore Keppel, have exerted themselves in a most particular manner: and I may venture to say, that there never was a joint undertaking carried on with more harmony and zeal on both sides; which greatly contributed to the success of it.

"Captain Nugent, one of my Aids-de-camp, who has the honour of delivering you my dispatches, can inform you

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Lordship of any particulars you are pleased to learn from him. He has been very active; and present at every material affair that has happened since the landing of the troops. I must beg, through your Lordship, to recommend him to his Majesty, as a very deserving young man. He carries with him the Spanish ensign taken at the Moro.

Colonel Carleton, who has acted as Brigadier since Lord Rollo left the army, had the misfortune of being wounded, on the 22d of July, when the enemy made a fortie: He is at present in a fair way of doing well. I think it but justice to Major Fuller, who is my eldest Aid-de-camp to say, that I should have sent him to England, if I had not thought it would be more agreeable to his Majesty's service, to receive the news by one of his own servants.

"I am, &c.

"ALBEMARLE."

The Admiral sent home the Honourable Augustus Hervecy with his dispatches; and the following is a copy of his letter to Mr Cleveland, Secretary to the Admiralty.

"SIR,

"*Namur off Chorrera river, near the
Havanna, August 19th, 1762.*

"I desire you will acquaint their Lordships, that it is with the greatest pleasure I now congratulate them on the great success of his Majesty's arms, in the reduction of the Havanna, with all its dependencies.

"The Moro fort was taken by storm, the 30th of last month, after a siege of twenty-nine days. During which time, the enemy lost above a thousand men, and a brave officer in Don Louis de Velasco, Captain of one of their men of war, and Governor in the Moro, mortally wounded in defending the colours, sword in hand, in the storm. And, on the 11th instant, the Governor of the Havanna desired to capitulate for the town, which was granted; the articles were agreed to and signed, and we were put in possession of the Punta and Land-gate on the 14th. With this great and important acquisition to his Majesty, has also fallen twelve large men of war of the line, as per list; three of which
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“were sunk, with a Company’s ship, in the entrance of the
 “harbour; nine are fit for sea, and two upon the stocks; a
 “blow that I hope will prove the more capital to the enemy,
 “as they receive it so early in the war; and, I may venture
 “to say, will leave all their settlements, in this part of the
 “world, exposed to any attempt that may be thought proper
 “to be made on them. But however trivial, with the posses-
 “sion of the Havanna, it may appear, I yet cannot help men-
 “tioning the discovery and possession of the harbour of Ma-
 “riel, about seven leagues to the leeward of this, and which
 “we had made ourselves masters of, though the enemy had
 “endeavoured to ruin it, by sinking ships in the entrance;
 “and had lately sent near one hundred transports, with some
 “men of war there, for the security against the season in
 “which we are already advanced. It will be as needless, as
 “almost impossible, for me to express or describe that perfect
 “harmony that has uninterruptedly subsisted between the fleet
 “and army from our first setting out. Indeed, it is doing in-
 “justice to both, to mention them as two corps, since each
 “has endeavoured, with the most constant and cheerful emu-
 “lation, to render it but one; uniting in the same principles
 “of honour and glory for their King and Country’s service. I
 “am glad, on this occasion, to do justice to the distinguished
 “merit of Commodore Keppel, who executed the service un-
 “der his direction, on the Coximar side, with the greatest
 “spirit, activity, and diligence. And I must repeat, that the
 “zeal his Majesty’s sea-officers and seamen exerted, in carry-
 “ing on the services allotted to them, is highly to be com-
 “mended.

“I shall now beg leave to refer their Lordships to Captain
 “Hervey, for all further particulars, who I send with this
 “letter, and who has approved himself a brave and a deserv-
 “ing officer in this expedition; therefore think myself obliged
 “to desire their Lordships will recommend him to his Majesty.

“I am,

“SIR,

“Your most obedient humble servant,

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The loss of men which we sustained in this remarkable siege was very considerable; (See Note 193.) though but trifling in comparison of what were swept off after the place was in our possession. Lord Albemarle having orders to return as many troops as could be spared when the siege was over, to North America, the fifth brigade was sent to New York, where a long and severe winter had such an effect upon soldiers almost exhausted by an active campaign in a very warm climate, that very few of them lived to see the spring. The manner in which the attack against the Havanna was conducted, has been severely censured by many.

Had the city been the first object, instead of the second, our loss had not been near so great as it was. The city was of great extent, the wall was out of repair, its fortifications consisted of twenty-one bastions, no out-works except two ravelins, the ditch dry, and not of any great breadth, and the covered-way ruinous. The Punta fort was calculated more to secure the entrance of the harbour, than to add strength to the town. The Moro was a strong fort of a triangular form, having two bastions towards the land, and two irregular ones towards the sea, where it joined by a wall some strong batteries of heavy cannon, which defended the entrance, and overlooked the town and Punta. The fleet, from the situation of the place, could not assist with any effect in battering the walls of it; and to have endeavoured to force an entrance into the harbour, would have been madness in the extreme: yet the Spaniards seem to have had a great dread of this, by their sinking several very large ships in the entrance to prevent it. This was almost the only thing censurable in the noble defence they made, as the broadsides of twelve ships of the line gave them ample security on this head.

The sinking of such large ships has, moreover, materially injured the harbour, as they have never been able to weigh or remove them. As Lord Albemarle found the enemy unprepared, the fortifications of the city of the Havanna out of repair, few regular troops in garrison, himself at the head of an army habituated to victory, the hurricane season fast approaching, when the climate was more to be dreaded than an active enemy; those reasons, in the opinion of many, ought to have induced

duced his Lordship to make good his landing on the west side; and, before the enemy had time to recover from their surprize, or to form a regular plan of defence for the city, to have endeavoured to carry the place by escalade. In such an attempt, it is more than probable he would have succeeded. When the city fell, all the subordinate places fell of course, together with the fleet; nor would the loss sustained have been so great, as that occasioned by a long protracted siege. In case of a repulse, too, the enterprize would not have been at an end; it was only pursuing the method which was adopted, and which in the end proved successful. There is another matter, with regard to the operations against the Havanna, that might have had very great weight with them. This was the immense wealth which it was supposed the city contained, and which, in case of a successful assault, would have become the property of the victors; the gallant soldiers and sailors not having then learned, that the prize-money they had so dearly earned, was to be so very unequally distributed. It will indeed for ever remain an indelible stain on Administration, in permitting the Commanders to appropriate so large a share to themselves, by which the inferior officers and private men obtained but a mere trifle (See Note 193.) in reward of the bravery they had shown, and the unparalleled hardships they had undergone.

A flag, as Rear-Admiral of the Blue, coming out to Commodore Keppel, Sir George Pocock, on the 3d of November, delivered up the command of the squadron to him; and, with the *Namur*, *Culloden*, *Temple*, *Devonshire*, *Marlborough*, the *Infante*, *St Genaro*, *Assumption*, and several other Spanish prizes, with about fifty sail of transports, sailed from the Havanna for England. They had a tolerable passage, until they came within two hundred leagues of the Land's-end; when the wind coming round to the east, and blowing very hard, the fleet was dispersed and driven out of its course. Many of the ships being leaky, ill provided with provisions, and in a bad state to keep the sea, were unable to make the land.

In this miserable state, it is the less to be wondered at, that during the bad weather, twelve of the transports foundered. Their crews were saved by the ships in company. On the 13th of December, the *Temple* shared a like fate. The *Culloden*

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and Devonshire were necessitated to throw most of their guns over-board to ease the ships; and after being in the greatest danger of perishing, they, with the San Genaro, and some more of the fleet, reached the harbour of Kinsale in Ireland, where they remained a considerable time repairing their damages, before they could proceed to England, which they at last did. The San Genaro, a fine new ship, was drove from her anchors in the Downs, and lost. The sufferings of that part of the fleet which kept the sea, are almost inexpressible. Reduced by famine, and wasted by fatigue, the men were in a great measure worn out; many died of thirst, sickness, and cold. Coming from a warm climate, their clothes were ill calculated to resist the severe weather they met with in the northern latitudes. Several of the transports were wrecked in the British Channel, most of whose crews perished. Some of the ships were near a month before they got into port, after they had made the land; and as most of them were leaky and worm-eaten when they left the Havanna, it is wonderful, considering the weather they met with, that so many of them reached England. The Lords of the Admiralty becoming uneasy for the safety of Sir George Pocock, several frigates were sent out in quest of him; and, on the 13th of January 1763, he at last reached Spithead.

The Marlborough had still a harder fate. Two days after the fleet got through the Gulph of Florida, she parted from the Admiral; when, meeting with a severe gale of wind, the leaks, which were considerable before, increased to such a degree, that after looking in vain for the Admiral, she was obliged to put before the wind. For some days, they run from fifty to seventy leagues in the twenty-four hours; and, the leaks still increasing, the crew were much weakened by the fatigue of pumping. Captain Burnet ordered thirty guns to be thrown overboard, and the anchors to be cut away, in hopes of easing the ship; but the leaks were grown so very considerable, that this effort had little effect. On the 28th of November the ship having become quite water-logged, the most sensible on board began to despair, and thought their destruction certain. The crew made great exertions, and, with the utmost difficulty, kept the ship above water all night; when, to the

inexpressible joy of all on board, at day-break on the 29th, the man at the mast-head called out that he saw four sail. This welcome and unlooked-for intelligence, inspired the exhausted crew with new spirits; and, so eager were they to behold the means by which they hoped to be rescued from instant death, that the pumps would have been deserted, had not the officers, with drawn swords in their hands, compelled the men to a continuance of their labour, otherwise the ship must have sunk before the sails in sight could have arrived to their assistance. What sail they could make, was set; and they steered for the wither-for objects. At the same time, they kept firing of guns, and hoisted signals of distress. These were happily observed; and the ships made sail towards the Marlborough, now a floating wreck: they proved to be his Majesty's ship the Antelope, of fifty guns, commanded by Captain Graves, with a convoy from Newfoundland, bound for Lisbon. As soon as the Antelope came within hail, Captain Burnet made his situation known; whereupon the boats of each ship were immediately hoisted out. By five in the evening, the crew got all safe on board the Antelope, together with some chests of money, and all the effects of the officers and men. General Lafauille, who was a passenger on board the Marlborough, died two days before she fell in with the Antelope. One of the Lieutenants of the Marlborough, having examined the ship before the last boat put off, and finding two of the crew drunk and asleep between decks, he had them conveyed to the boat. The water was then up to the orlop-deck. The ship was set on fire, and the Antelope made sail for Lisbon. Such an addition of men on board the Antelope, obliged the Captain to put the whole to short allowance of water, a hardship that would have been severely felt at any other time, but which was mild, in comparison of what the Marlborough's crew had suffered for some days before they had the good fortune to fall in with the Antelope. This restriction was of short duration, as they had a quick passage to Lisbon, where all their wants were relieved.

When the Earl of Albermarle had got all matters settled at the Havanna, he appointed his brother, Major General Keppel, governor of it; and sailed for England, the beginning of December, in his Majesty's ship the Rippon.

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As soon as the hurricane season would permit, Rear-Admiral Keppel, sent out his ships to cruise on different stations; by means of which, Captain Arbuthnot in the *Orford*, Captain Bickerton in the *Temeraire*, and Captain Wolfeley in the *Alarm*, in company with the *Inflexible* privateer, took, and carried into Jamaica, the *St Carlos* of five hundred tons, and the *St Jago* of three hundred tons: they were Spanish register ships, both laden with cocoa, bound from the Caraccas to Spain, and turned out very valuable prizes.

Rear-Admiral Keppel in the *Valiant*, having with him the *Temeraire*, *Orford*, *Pembroke*, and *Nottingham*, together with the *Eagle* hospital ship, being on a cruise off Cape François, received advice that the enemy were preparing a fleet of upwards of twenty sail for Europe, to which they were to be escorted by four merchant frigates: he therefore placed his Squadron in such a manner, as would be most likely to intercept them. Under cover of a dark night, they ventured out, and soon after fell in with three New York, and four West Indian privateers, which took five sail of this fleet. Next morning, the remainder were descried by Admiral Keppel and his Squadron, who, with the assistance of the before mentioned privateers, took them all, together with their escort, and carried them into Port Royal in Jamaica.

The *Dragon*, Captain Hervey, on her voyage home with Sir George Pocock's and the Earl of Albermarle's letters, took a French ship from St Domingo, valued at 30,000 l. Sterling.

The Port Royal, sloop of war, and the Westmoreland, privateer of Jamaica, being on a cruise on the Mosquito shore, took *L'Etoile de la Mer*, a Spanish register ship, valued at 40,000 l.

The *Danae*, Captain Martin, being on a cruise, fell in with a French privateer of sixteen guns, from St Domingo, who bore down on him. The Frenchman had heard of the peace, and was returning into port; but, unfortunately for him, mistaking the precise time when hostilities were to cease, and thinking himself in full security, he came quite close to the *Danae*. He was greatly disconcerted when ordered to strike his colours, and come on board, where he received the disagreeable news, that peace did not take full effect in the West Indies till the day following.

Admiral Keppel dispatched home the remainder of the Spanish prizes, under the conduct of Captain Arbuthnot in the Orford, having with him the Centaur, Dublin, Alcide, Hampton Court, Edgar, and some frigates; himself waiting to deliver up the Havanna, agreeable to the terms of peace. On the 30th of June 1763, the Conde d'Aricle arrived from Cadiz, with four sail of the line, and some transports, having on board two thousand Spanish troops, commanded by General O'Reilly; and having produced an order from his Majesty, for delivering up the British conquests in the island of Cuba, conformable to treaty, they were received with every token of respect. The British garrison embarked; and, on the 7th of July, the keys of the city were delivered up to the Conde d'Aricle, whom his Catholic Majesty had appointed to be governor of the Havanna.

Captain Stair Douglas of the Richmond, escorted a detachment of the Royal regiment of foot, to take possession of St Augustine, the capital of East Florida; and Captain Frederick Maitland escorted the third battalion of the 60th regiment, to take possession of Pensacola, the capital of West Florida.

Rear-Admiral Keppel proceeded to Jamaica; and was soon after relieved on this station by Rear-Admiral Sir William Burnaby.

NORTH AMERICA.

FROM recapitulating the glorious successes which every where attended the British arms, we must now cast our eyes to North America, where for a short time the scene is reversed. The turn of fortune, was in the surprize of the island of Newfoundland (See Note 194.) by the French, to whom its defenceless state was well known. The enemy, anxious to strike a blow like this, and knowing, from the great armaments which we had fitted out to act with vigour against the Spanish settlements in the West Indies, and the reinforcements sent by General Amherst to the army commanded by the Earl of Albemarle, that many of our principal possessions in North America

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were poorly garrisoned, and that we had no fleet of any strength in that part of the world, they resolved to avail themselves of this opportunity; for which purpose, while we were deeply engaged elsewhere, they equipped a small squadron at Brest, (See Note 195.) with the utmost secrecy. The command of this squadron they bestowed on M. de Ternay, on board of which they embarked a body of fifteen hundred infantry, commanded by the Comte d'Haussonville. This little armament got out of Brest in a thick fog. Information being soon after obtained of their departure, Sir Edward Hawke and the Duke of York, with a squadron, (See Note 200.) were dispatched in pursuit of them. But the enemy steering right across the Atlantic ocean, got clear off.

On the 11th of May, they fell in with three very rich fleets, under a convoy very much inferior to their force, the capture of which would have been of much more detriment to the commercial interest of Great Britain, than the taking of St John's in the island of Newfoundland, and distressing the fishery there for a season. These fleets consisted of a squadron of East India Company's ships, which Captain Rowley, in the *Superb* of seventy-four guns, was to escort a considerable way to the westward, (See Note 195.); the trade for North America, escorted by the *Gosport*; and the trade for the West Indies, escorted by the *Danae*. As soon as the enemy got sight of them, they gave chase. Captain Rowley, being the senior officer, issued orders to the different fleets to continue their course, while, with the men of war, he dropped astern of them, and formed a sort of rear-guard, keeping between the trade and the enemy. When they had neared Captain Rowley so much, that he could easily distinguish their force, he formed his three ships into a line, brought to, and prepared for action. The enemy, who were now about random-shot distance, on seeing this, hauled their wind, and made off. Captain Rowley immediately gave them chase; but as they were clean ships, they greatly outfailed him; on which he gave over the chase, and rejoined the convoy. But, lest the enemy should make any attempt to cut off some of the trading ships during the night, he gave orders to the *Albion*

bion Indiaman to carry the light for that night, while himself remained in the rear, with the war-ships, to protect them*.

The enemy's design against Newfoundland, was suspected by several people in England, who acquainted the Lords of the Admiralty with their suspicions; and the great Mr Pitt failed not to point out to their Lordships the defenceless state of that settlement. In consequence of this, a squadron was sent under Captain Palliser (See Note 195.) to succour the place. M. de Ternay pursued his course, and arrived at his destination the 24th of June. The troops were disembarked in the bay of Bullo, and marched against St John's. Fort William, its chief defence, was in no condition to make resistance; and the officer commanding the feeble garrison, being summoned, surrendered the place.

In the harbour, they took the Gammont sloop, Captain Mouat, and some trading vessels, and destroyed all the fishing-tackle and stages; a conduct they invariably pursued wherever they went. M. d'Haussonville sent a detachment, who took Trinity, and the island of Carbonera, although the natural situation of the last was such, that half a dozen men could have defended it against a thousand. Considering how very extensive the operations of the war were, it is rather a matter of wonder that this was the only place in his Majesty's dominions where the enemy could succeed by surprise. Their triumph, however, was of short duration; for Captain (now Vice-Admiral) Graves, of his Majesty's ship *Antelope*, being Governor, took every measure in his power to prevent the enemy from making a complete conquest of the island. He was at Placentia, with his own ship and the *Syren*, when M. de Ternay arrived at St John's. On hearing of the disaster which had befallen that place, he immediately wrote to General Amherst at New York, and to Lord Colvill, Commander of his Majesty's Fleet in North America, at Halifax, informing them of his situation; meanwhile, putting all things in such a condition at Placentia, that the enemy never presumed to attack that place.

Lord Colvill made all possible haste, and joined Captain Graves with what ships and troops he could muster, (See Note 195.)

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His Lordship landed some marines to reinforce the garrison; and although the force under his command was considerably inferior to that of the enemy, yet he resolved to go in search of them, and sailed from Placentia the 22d of August. On the 25th, he got off St John's, and gave chase to a schooner, which he took close to the harbour's mouth. She was commanded by an Ensign de Vaisseau, had been a British privateer, mounted eight guns, and had on board thirty men. From the information of the prisoners it was learned, that the enemy had added considerably to the works of the fort, and erected some batteries at the entrance of the harbour, where they had laid a strong boom across, to prevent any ship of force from entering it. Learning also of the several depredatory excursions which the enemy had made at different parts of the island, he sent the marines of the Syren to the island of Boys, which saved that place from falling into the enemy's hands. Sir Jeffrey Amherst informed Lord Colvill, that he was resolved, if possible, to drive the enemy from St John's, and, for that purpose, had given orders to collect a body of troops (See Note 195.), the command of which he gave to his brother Lieutenant-Colonel Amherst. As these troops were to be collected from the different garrisons along the coast, Colonel Amherst lost not a moment in proceeding from New York to Halifax, and from thence to Louisburg. From this last place he sailed the 7th of September, and joined his Lordship on the 11th, a few leagues to the southward of St John's.

This was a very fortunate junction. Colonel Amherst had formed the plan of an attack; but on conversing with Captain Graves, who, from his very superior abilities, great professional skill, and the very ample information he was able to give of the country, and the position of the enemy, he relinquished his own plan of operations, and adopted the one formed by Captain Graves. The success with which it was attended, shewed how judiciously it had been laid; and while it was executing, the squadron kept as close to the harbour's mouth as possible, either to attack M. de Ternay, should he endeavour to escape, or to prevent him from sending a force to disturb Colonel Amherst and Captain Douglas in their operations. Lord Colvill sent the Syren along with the troops, to

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cover their landing; and Captain Douglas had orders to co-operate all in his power with Colonel Amherst.

It being judged proper to land the troops in Torbay, about three leagues to the northward of St John's, they were formed into two battalions; the first of which was given to Lieutenant-Colonel Tulikens of the forty-fifth regiment, and the second to Major Sutherland of the seventy-seventh regiment. While the troops forced their landing, the enemy fired some shots; but on receiving a brisk fire from our light infantry, they fled towards St John's. Colonel Amherst immediately put his troops in motion, and marched about four miles; the road was bad, narrow, and through a very thick wood. Captain M'Donell's light infantry corps marched in front, and came up with the enemy, who had concealed themselves in the wood. They were routed after a slight resistance, and some of them made prisoners; the rest fled towards St John's: some of our people were wounded in the attack. The country opened, and the troops took post to the left of Kitty-Vitty, a deep inlet from the sea, where Colonel Amherst meant to have disembarked his troops; but the enemy, aware of this, had stopped up the entrance, by sinking some small vessels in it. The right of the army being close to the river Kitty-Vitty, the enemy fired across it, from a post they had on a hill, and incommoded the troops very much. Colonel Amherst caused a body of troops to march up to the top of a high rock which commanded the ford: under cover of whose fire, the light infantry of the army, under the command of Captain M'Kenzie, forded the river. These, supported by the grenadiers of the royal and seventy-seventh regiments, attacked this strong post of the enemy, drove them from the hill, and pursued them towards St John's; when, meeting a reinforcement, they faced about: on which, Colonel Amherst sent Major Sutherland with some more troops to the assistance of the light infantry and grenadiers; which the enemy perceiving, they retreated with great precipitation. The troops then took possession of the deserted post, which was absolutely necessary, in order to preserve a communication with the fleet, for the landing of artillery, stores, and provisions. In this attack, Captain M'Kenzie was mortally

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On the 14th, the troops got the channel cleared of the sunken vessels; and Captain Ferguson, who commanded the artillery, brought round some field-pieces from Torbay, in shallops. The ground from Kitty-Vitty to St John's, is remarkably strong. The enemy having occupied the tops of two hills which they had fortified, of these it was absolutely necessary to dispossess them before siege could be laid to the fort. The nearest of these hills lay in front of our outposts, and near the road to St John's. Early in the morning of the 15th, Captain M'Donell, with his light infantry, after a most fatiguing and difficult march, got round the hill, and took the enemy by surprise; and although they had posted here three companies of grenadiers, and two piquets, with a mortar and a six-pounder, under M. de Belcomb, their second in command, and esteemed one of their best officers; yet with such vigour were the enemy attacked, that they only gave one fire, and retreated with great precipitation, having a good many men killed and wounded, besides a Captain and thirteen men made prisoners. On this occasion, Lieutenant Schuyler and four men were killed, and Captain M'Donell and eighteen men wounded. On the 16th, the army marched toward St John's, on which the enemy abandoned the post they had on the other hill, which entirely commanded the entrance of the harbour; of this, Colonel Amherst immediately ordered possession to be taken, and in the course of the day completely invested fort St John's. Captain Douglas having sent the artillery, mortars, and camp-equipage from Torbay to Kitty-Vitty, the Colonel broke ground that very night. During the greatest part of the day of the 16th, the fog was remarkably thick; a circumstance equally fortunate to both the British and French. Colonel Amherst by it was enabled to take all his measures for reducing the place, without being perceived by the enemy: while, under its cover, M. de Ternay stole out of the harbour with his squadron, and effected his escape. Lieutenant-Colonel Tuliken, who was posted on the hill which commands the entrance of the harbour, could hear their noise, but could not discern any of their ships: the fog even

altered the direction of the sound, which seemed to come from another part of the harbour, while they must have been directly under him. When it cleared up, the enemy's fleet were seen by Lord Colvill's Squadron; but they had got to so great a distance, that it would have been to no purpose to have pursued them; and they were so fortunate as not to fall in with the ships under the command of Captain Palliser, who had been sent from England to the relief of St John's, and who arrived on the coast soon after M. de Ternay took his flight. The French Commodore went off in so great a hurry, that he left his anchors behind him, and even turned adrift the boats which had towed him out of the harbour. The grenadiers were to have gone on board the squadron; but for fear of losing so favourable an opportunity of escaping, he would not throw away so much time as to embark them. Lord Colvill, from the care he had taken to provide a number of shallops and small craft, by which the artillery and stores were easily transported from Torbay to Kitty-Vitty, greatly accelerated the military operations. Captain Douglas of the *Syren* conducted this part of the service, with an exactness and activity peculiar to his character. On the 17th, Colonel Amherst opened a mortar battery against the fort, and was busy in erecting some batteries for cannon; when, on the 18th, M. d'Haussonville began a correspondence with Colonel Amherst, which ended in a capitulation, by which the French surrendered themselves prisoners of war, on condition of being sent to France. The Colonel's correspondence with the French Commandant, and the articles of capitulation, will be found in the Appendix, (Note 196.) The French carried matters with a high hand while they remained masters of St John's; plundered, without mercy, all the merchants there, and sent off many of the inhabitants in small vessels to Placentia, and other places. The goods thus taken from them, were thrown promiscuously into such warehouses as the enemy found most convenient for their purpose. The arduous task of returning the plundered goods to the right owners, of restoring order, and of setting all matters to rights where the French had exercised their authority, was left to the management of Captain Graves; whose impartial conduct met with universal applause.

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WE shall conclude our history of the war in this quarter of the globe, by an account of an expedition against Buenos Ayres, (See Note 197.). The plan was well laid, although it failed of success. Accident alone, was the cause of its miscarriage. While our troops and navy were employed in attacking the Spanish settlements in the West Indies and in Asia, a blow was concerted to be struck against their settlements in South America; and an attack upon the colony of Buenos Ayres in the river Plate, was agreed on. To carry this plan into execution, the British Ministry gave every encouragement to some private adventurers, among whom were some noblemen and wealthy merchants, to undertake this enterprize. There were sundry very cogent reasons for this expedition. Buenos Ayres, from the lucrative trade carried on there, was of itself an object: its situation was extremely important during the war; for, by the possession of this port, we could carry our arms into the vitals of the Spanish American dominions. It was not only well adapted for aiding any enterprize against the Spanish settlements in the South Seas, as well as all the Spanish colonies in this part of the world, besides that it lay most conveniently to molest the Portuguese settlements; but by the possession of it, we could distress our enemies, as well as protect our allies. Amongst the greatest encouragements to this undertaking, was the weakness of the place, which by no means possessed strength equal to its importance. From these considerations, it is to be lamented that the British Ministry were not able to make it an object of public, instead of private concern; but from the multiplicity and extent of our military operations, this was rendered utterly impossible. The adventurers purchased from Government his Majesty's ships *Kingston* and *Ambuscade*, and conferred the command upon Captain Macnamara, of the East India Company's service, an officer of reputation and experience. He used great dispatch in fitting out the two ships, and repaired to Lisbon, where he was joined by a considerable reinforcement. On board the squadron were embarked five hundred Portuguese troops.

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They proceeded immediately for Rio de Janeiro, the capital of the Portuguese settlements in Brazil. All dispatch was used in getting the squadron ready for the expedition ; which being done in three weeks, they sailed, and, on the 2d of November, arrived in the river Plate. The voyage, hitherto prosperous, now began to change its aspect. As soon as the squadron had entered the river, difficulties began to emerge, which had not been foreseen. A violent storm of wind and rain arose, accompanied with the most dreadful flashes of lightning and claps of thunder. Luckily the squadron received no damage, and next day the weather became moderate. On sounding the river, it was found to be full of shoals, which the navigation rendered extremely intricate ; obstacles in themselves very difficult to be surmounted, and which must have proved great obstructions in the projected attack against Buenos Ayres.

The Spaniards were more on their guard than was at first apprehended ; they had even acted on the offensive, and attacked and taken the Portuguese settlement of Nova Colonia, at which place Captain Macnamara designed to have put in, for reinforcements and intelligence. The squadron passed by Monte Video, the first settlement the Spaniards have on the north shore, and where their register ships discharge their cargoes. Here they saw one of these ships, supposed to be the *St Barbara*, waiting for convoy from Spain ; but Captain Macnamara did not think proper to engage her, as her cargo was at this time at Buenos Ayres, and the attacking of her would have alarmed the whole country, and probably defeated the scheme. The better to deceive the enemy, the squadron hoisted no colours,

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hours, which caused them to be taken for Portuguese; enemies the Spaniards had no great dread of. Next day they saw a vessel close in shore; on which the Commodore ordered the boats manned and armed to attack her. When our boats came near, they fired on them; upon which they rowed briskly up, and, pouring a volley of small arms into her, were pulling on board, when she struck, and proved to be a schooner of twenty tons, loaded with military stores from Buenos Ayres, bound to Monte Video: she mounted six brass three pounders, two brass patteraroes, and had eleven men on board. From the prisoners, they received the disagreeable intelligence of the Spaniards having made an easy conquest of St Sacrament, or Nova Colonia, about a month before.

The Commodore made all the expedition up the river he could; but was much retarded, as some one or other of the vessels got aground every tide. This obliged him to keep near the south shore, being the deepest water, from whence he could plainly perceive the enemy's troops march up the banks; and when he came to an anchor, they incamped, intrenched themselves, and set to work to erect batteries to oppose a descent. On the morning of the 17th of December, the squadron got within sight of Nova Colonia, and saw two frigates at anchor under the fortifications; and, near to one of the forts, a large Indian camp. The squadron cleared for action, in hopes of attacking the place next day; the Portuguese frigate got aground three or four leagues off; when the Commodore's pilot, whom he had brought from Rio de Janeiro, declared it impossible for the squadron to take the place. On the 24th of December, the Commodore went on board the Ambuscade, and told the Captain, that he had come to a resolution to attempt cutting out or destroying the two Spanish frigates before mentioned, and that he intended to put his plan in execution that night, the rendezvous to be at his ship. Accordingly, nine boats manned and armed, having pitch-tubs and hook-ropes, &c. on board, were ordered for this expedition. The night was extremely dark; but the boats were either too late in setting out, or did not row brisk enough; for they were near a mile's distance from the largest frigate when day broke. The fort, gave the alarm, and began to fire, as did both the frigates, immediately after.

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All they could now do, was to return; which they did at great hazard: but such bad aim did the Spaniards take, that not a man was hurt. Half an hour's more darkness would have completed the ruin of the frigates, as they were entirely unprepared: to attempt this a second time, however, would have been ridiculous. The Commodore was extremely ill satisfied with the management of this affair.

The Commodore finding all his attempts on Nova Colonia in vain, sailed down the river, with an intent of attacking Monte Video. Having got off there, he went in a small vessel, and founded the entrance of the harbour, which the pilots said was very difficult. While the Commodore was preparing for the attack, a sail came in sight; and the signal being made to weigh anchor, the squadron stood for her. They were in hopes she was a galleon or register ship from the South Seas, two being expected about this time; but she proved to be a Portuguese vessel with dispatches for the Commodore; the Captain of which, an Englishman, who had navigated in this river for twenty-three years, and was esteemed the best pilot the Portuguese had, undertook to carry the Lord Clive within pistol-shot of the fort at Nova Colonia: his offer was readily accepted by the Commodore, and the squadron stood once more up the river: in two days they got off Nova Colonia, and, on the 6th of January 1763, resolved to attack it immediately. Hazardous as the enterprize was, there was great probability of its success; the ships were in good order, and the men in high spirits. The Lord Clive led the van, followed by the Ambuscade and the Portuguese frigate, which last was to attack a small battery; but, either through design or accident, they got aground some miles off, and were of no service; so that the two British ships had the fire of the fort, the batteries, with a frigate of thirty-six, and another of twenty-eight guns, to sustain. The ships moved on to the attack with all their colours displayed, horns sounding, and drums beating, expressive of their hopes of victory.

The engagement began about twelve o'clock, and continued with great vigour on both sides for four hours; and such was the spirit and resolution of our sailors, that their fire seemed always to increase, while that of the enemy, unable and un-

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accustomed to such work, gradually diminished. Their batteries and ships being now almost silenced, and the Spanish soldiers flying from their guns, the colours were every moment expected to be struck. Just at this critical instant, when victory seemed certain, by some unknown accident the Lord Clive took fire, and was soon in a blaze. The flames were scarcely discovered, when there appeared an impossibility of quenching them. Now was exhibited a most melancholy spectacle: all sides of the vessel were immediately crowded with naked men, who, but a few minutes before, reckoned themselves almost in the assured possession of conquest and wealth: many precipitated themselves into the sea, preferring the dreadful alternative of death by water rather than by fire: some clung to the yards and rigging, until the ascending flames forced them to tumble into the sea, where they perished. Commodore Macnamara, who had received a wound in the hand, and another in the nose, by a splinter, stripped; and with the brave Captain Williams, the pilot, leaped over-board, and both perished. Upon this accident being perceived, the enemy's fire recommenced, and their dismayed troops returned to the batteries: this redoubled the distress of those on board; and many, who might have escaped by swimming, were killed. Several who had lost their limbs in the engagement, lay bleeding and helpless on the deck; and, without the least power of shifting their situation, beheld the merciless flames approach them. No assistance could be given, all being occupied by their own distress, and intent on their own preservation. Some of the wounded perished by their own hands. A circumstance is related of this dreadful scene, which is extremely striking, and strongly characterises the spirit of the British seamen. Several of those who could not swim, in the midst of this scene of horror and confusion, went to the lower-deck guns, and kept up a constant fire upon the enemy, till they were driven by the flames to perish by another element. Out of three hundred and fifty men, only seventy-eight escaped.

The other vessels of the squadron, far from being able to field any assistance to the sufferers, were obliged to cut their cables, and get off as expeditiously as they could, lest they should be involved in the same fate. The Ambuscade with

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great difficulty got off about six in the evening, and anchored about four miles from Nova Colonia: she was reduced to a mere wreck, having received sixty shot in her hull, many of them between wind and water; five shot in the main-top-mast, all the boats unserviceable, fore-top-masts shot through the heel; the best bower and stream cable shot through; sails, lifts, braces, and halliards much damaged; six feet water in the hold, and six guns dismounted. By wonderful exertions, they repaired some of their most material damages, and made a shift to get back to Rio de Janeiro.

In this disastrous manner ended this expedition, which had been conducted with a resolution equal to any during the war, but with a fortune very different. The number of men was the only considerable loss that attended this repulse. It was no small consolation, however, to those who escaped the flames, that after they got on shore, they were treated with a degree of humanity and benevolence which could not be exceeded, had the same calamity happened to them on the coast of their own country, and among their dearest friends and relations. Instead of regarding them as persons come to destroy and plunder their settlements, the Spaniards considered their misfortunes, not their enmity, and treated them rather as their children, than captives. The British came to them naked; they clothed them all decently, and used them in every other instance with equal tenderness and indulgence. Thus was the war closed by an action, the fittest in the world to inspire sentiments correspondent to a state of peace and union between two brave and generous nations, whose true interest is, to be always united in friendship.

M E D I T E R R A N E A N.

As soon as it was perceived that a rupture with Spain was unavoidable, a strong reinforcement of ships was sent out under the command of Sir Piercy Brett, to join the fleet under Sir Charles Saunders, who still continued to be vested with the command of his Majesty's ships on this station; (See Note 196.) The cruising ships met with very great success, parti-

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cularly the Active, and Favourite sloop, which having been sent in hopes of intercepting a very rich ship expected at Cadiz from Lima, had the good fortune to get sight of her on the 21st of May, and immediately gave chase. In a few hours they were close along-side, when Captain Sawyer hailed them whence they came; and, on being answered from Lima, he desired them to strike, for that hostilities were commenced between Great Britain and Spain. This was a piece of news they were not prepared for; but, after a little hesitation, they submitted. Possession was then taken of the vessel, the *Hermione*, which was by far the richest prize gained during the war; the cargo and ship, &c. amounting to 544,648 l. 1 s. 6d.; a particular account of which, and the distribution of the prize money, the reader will find in the appendix, (Note 197.)

The treasure was conveyed from Portsmouth to London in twenty waggons, escorted by a party of sailors. The waggons were decorated with the British colours flying, having those of Spain underneath them. They made a grand procession, and entered the city of London on the 12th day of August, the day his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales was born; and which contributed very much to increase the joy which was so generally manifested on the glorious occasion. The procession proceeded along Piccadilly, down St James's Street, where his Majesty and many of the nobility viewed it from the windows over the gate of the palace. On their coming to London, they were joined by a troop of light dragoons, with a band of music, consisting of kettle-drums, French horns, trumpets and hautboys; and in this manner did they march on through the city to the Tower, amid the acclamations of a prodigious concourse of people.

One of Sir Charles Saunders's fleet took the *Perlu* of Barcelona, having on board one hundred thousand dollars. This was the first ship taken from Spain, after the declaration of war. On the 23d of July, the *Pallas* was attacked in Cadiz by two xebèques, one of thirty-two, and the other of twenty-four guns. After engaging for some time, they were both so much disabled, and had lost so many men in the action, that they made off. Captain Clements pursued, and could have taken them both, had not a ship of the line been dispatched from Cadiz to their assistance, which came in time

to protect them; as, on her approach, the Pallas was obliged to desist, and save herself by flight.

The Active, took a French privateer of twenty-two guns, and two hundred and forty men.

The Gibraltar Captain Griffith, took a French privateer of eighteen guns off Leghorn, after a most desperate engagement, in which the first Lieutenant of the Gibraltar, and five men, were killed, and many wounded.

The Brune, commanded by Captain Tonyn, being on a cruise off Carthage, on the 23d of October, about seven leagues to the west of that port, fell in with the Oiseau, a French frigate of twenty-six guns, and two hundred and forty men; and, after an obstinate engagement, took her. The Brune had six men killed, and fourteen wounded. The Oiseau had forty-nine men killed and wounded. The Chevalier de Modene, her Captain, lost his right arm; three of his officers were wounded, and all the rest killed. She was purchased by Government, and added to the Royal Navy by the same name.

In the month of November, the Sheernefs, commanded by Captain Clarke, being on a cruise, was chased into Villa Franca, by three French ships of war, where they followed. The Captain of La Minerve, actuated by an idle spirit of vanity and insolence, resolved to anchor between the Sheernefs and the shore. In doing of this, he ran his ship upon the rocks that form the eastern side of the harbour. The wind blew very fresh, and the sea ran so high, that no boat durst venture from the shore to afford him assistance. The Captain was quite ignorant of his profession; and being ill seconded by his officers and people, who were little accustomed to meet with such difficulties, the ship, in less than two hours, was completely wrecked. In this dreadful situation, expecting to perish every moment, Captain Clarke sent his boats to their assistance, and the British sailors exerted themselves so effectually, (to the astonishment of all who beheld them), that they brought off all the crew, except about twenty-five, who were washed away by the violence of the waves. The French Commodore entertained so high a sense of the benevolence of Captain Clarke on this occasion, that he waited on him in person, and thanked him for the great assistance he had afforded them in their distress.

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When the war was at an end, Sir Charles Saunders and the greatest part of the fleet sailed for England, leaving a Squadron under Rear-Admiral Sir Piercy Brett, to take possession of Minorca. Sir Piercy was relieved in command by Commodore Thomas Harrison in the *Centurion*; on board of whose ship, his Royal Highness the Duke of York for some time hoisted his flag.

TRANSACTIONS AT OR NEAR HOME.

In order to prevent the French from sending succours to their West India settlements, now attacked by the fleet and army under Admiral Rodney and General Monckton, a Squadron was kept cruising before Brest, under the command of Commodore Spry, (See Note 198.) But a severe gale about the middle of January having compelled him to put into Plymouth; in his absence, the French dispatched M. de Blenac, with a fleet of seven sail of the line, three frigates, and a sloop, for Martinico, as before related. On board of this Squadron, they embarked five battalions of infantry, (See Note 190.) They were seen soon after they got out, and Commodore Spry was early informed of their departure. He shaped his course to the best of his judgment, and pursued them with a press of sail; but missing them, and not having a stock of provisions on board to warrant his proceeding farther, he dispatched the *Aquilon* frigate, Captain Ogle, express to Admiral Rodney (as was observed when treating of the conquest of Martinico) to put him on his guard; and returned with his Squadron to England.

The French continued arming some ships at Rochefort. But men of war fitted there, must fall down the river Charente, and take in their guns and heavy stores abreast of the island of Aix, before they proceed to sea. They would have found great difficulty to effect this, as the Squadron under Commodore Lord Viscount Howe, in Basque-road, very narrowly watched all the enemy's motions at this port. Lord Howe going as Captain to his Royal Highness the Duke of York, was relieved on this station by Commodore Denis, (See Note 199.), who sent out cruizers from this place, which

picked up some prizes both from the French and Spaniards. When intelligence was received that M. de Ternay, with a small fleet, had escaped from Brest, Sir Edward Hawke and the Duke of York, with ten sail of the line and some frigates (See Note 200.), were ordered out in pursuit of him. M. de Ternay steered right across the Atlantic, and Sir Edward steered for Cape Finisterre, by which they missed of each other. After an unsuccessful cruise, Sir Edward returned to England about the end of August. This fleet was again ordered to sea, under the command of Sir Charles Hardy, and sailed from Spithead the 12th of September. On the 29th, the Duke of York followed him with a reinforcement of ships, (See Note 201.) These continued cruising till the 30th of October, when they came to an anchor in Plymouth sound. They put to sea again on the 13th of November, and stretched as far to the southward as the island of Madeira, in hopes of falling in with some of the Spanish register ships, before the time prescribed by the preliminary articles of peace for a cessation of hostilities in these latitudes took place; but they returned to England without success.

While Sir Edward Hawke was cruising on the coast of Spain, a squadron under the command of Commodore Man (See Note 202.) blocked up the port of Brest. The ships of this squadron, picked up several prizes. On the 1st of September, Commodore Man made the Torbay's signal to chase a sail in the S. W. quarter, which was soon perceived to be an enemy. The wind dying away, Captain Brett hoisted out his boats, and towed for several hours towards the chase. In the evening, a fresh breeze sprung up, when all the fleet joined in the pursuit; and, at half past ten at night, the Lyon got up with the enemy. An action then took place, which lasted near an hour, when the Zephyr, a French frigate of thirty-two guns, (but mounting only twenty-six), and two hundred and fifty men, (one hundred of whom were soldiers), struck. She was bound for Newfoundland with troops, two brass mortars, some brass cannon, ammunition and stores. The enemy had nine men killed, and twenty-five wounded; her rigging very much damaged. The Lyon had only three men slightly wounded.

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channel, and hoisted his broad pendant on board the *Guernsey*. He watched with great attention all the principal posts belonging to the enemy in the channel, and prevented them from transporting naval stores close along shore in their prames from Havre de Grace to Brest. He forced some of these ashore near the mouth of Caen river. His cruizers destroyed a few, and obliged others to run up the river for shelter, where they could not be got at.

Commodore Moore commanded in the Downs, and had his broad pendant on board the *St George*. His cruizers found more employment from the Dutch, than either the French or Spaniards; for the subjects of the States General still persisted in supplying the enemies of Great Britain with all sorts of naval and warlike stores; and were also engaged in carrying the produce of the French colonies from the West Indies to Europe. They had been so very clamorous against the vigilance of the British cruizers in searching their ships and preventing their illicit commerce, that, in order to put a stop to them, their High Mightinesses had found it necessary to put some ships of war in commission, in order to protect their trade. Four of their merchant ships, under convoy of a frigate of thirty-six guns, in the month of September fell in with the *Hunter* sloop, the Captain of which, agreeable to his orders, sent his boat on board one of the merchant ships in order to search her. This the Captain of the frigate would not permit; and the *Hunter* sloop, not being of sufficient strength to enforce the orders, her Captain made the best of his way to the Downs, and made a report to Commodore Moore of what had happened. The Commodore immediately sent Captain Adams in the *Diana*, having with him the *Chester* of fifty guns, and the *Hunter* and *Tryal* sloops, with orders to search the merchant ships, and to use force, if necessary. The day following, Captain Adams came up with them, and told the Captain of the Dutch frigate, that he must know what his convoy were loaded with; who answered, that he would not allow his convoy to be searched, and would defend the ships committed to his care to the last. On this, Captain Adams ordered a boat, with a British jack in her bow, to be sent on board of each of the Dutch merchant ships, letting the Captain of the frigate at the same time know, that he would not allow

allow the British flag to be insulted. The Dutch frigate fired a gun at the headmost boat, loaded with grape shot, by which one man was wounded; on this, Captain Adams fired a gun at the frigate, in order to bring her to. This was answered by a broadside; and an action immediately commenced between the *Diana* and the Dutch ship of war, which lasted about a quarter of an hour, when the Dutch ship struck, who, with her convoy, were all brought into the Downs. In the action, the Dutch had four men killed, and five wounded; among the latter was the Captain, who lost a part of his nose. The *Diana* had not a man hurt. The merchant ships were found to be laden with naval stores for the use of the French navy; and were detained to stand trial. The war ship was dismissed.

The *Lowestoffe*, Captain Stirling, drove ashore and destroyed two French prames off Gaveling, several of whose crews were killed or wounded in endeavouring to escape. The *Grace* cutter, commanded by Captain M'Bride, destroyed a small French privateer on the coast of Holland. The *Lyon* cutter, commanded by Lieutenant Reeve, took a French *Lugsail* privateer of superior force; and the *Tartuffe* cutter, took a small French privateer. The *Phoenix*, Captain Bethel, took, after a chase of six hours, the *L'Opale*, a French frigate of twenty-four guns, and two hundred and fifty men.

On the 30th of January, the *Danae*, then commanded by Captain Hay, in absence of Captain Martin, having thirteen ships under convoy from Gibraltar, fell in with a large French ship, who lay-to for them. Although the *Danae* was much superior in force, as soon as they came up, the Frenchman engaged her for upwards of three hours, yard-arm and yard-arm most of the time, during which, the enemy lost her main-yard, fore-top-mast, main-top-mast, and bowsprit. She must have been obliged to strike, if the *Danae* had been under management. But all the running rigging, fore and aft, was shot away, and the masts and yards much wounded; so that the mizen-mast went by the board, and the main-yard was obliged to be lowered down and launched over-board, to save the main-mast. In this shattered condition, Captain Hay could not get the ship to work; which the enemy perceiving, set what sail they could, and had the good fortune to get off. Captain

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Captain Hay having repaired some of his most material damages, stood after his convoy. He had eighteen men killed, and forty-two men wounded, seven of whom died in a few days. The enemy's ship was the *Tigre*, a private ship of war, of twenty-six guns, and two hundred and forty men, commanded by M. Fabry. She afterwards engaged his Majesty's ship the *Dealecastle*, Captain Tindal, who obliged her to sheer off; and soon after meeting with the *King George*, privateer, Captain Reed, was taken by her, after an obstinate engagement.

The *Richmond*, Captain Elphinstone, on his way to the West Indies, took a Spanish register ship from Campeachy for Teneriffe, whose cargo consisted of a hundred tons of logwood, two thousand raw hides, and thirty thousand dollars, which Captain Elphinstone carried along with him.

None of the cruising ships were more distinguished than the *Venus*, commanded by Captain Thomas Harrison, who, on the 6th of January took the *Boulogne*, from the *Isle de France*, laden with coffee and pepper, after an action of an hour, in which the enemy had seven men killed, and twenty wounded. On board of this ship, which mounted twenty guns, and had a crew of one hundred and forty men, came passenger the *Comte d'Estaing*, who so shamefully broke his parole in the East Indies. This ship was reckoned worth 40,000 l. Sterling.

Captain Harrison, on the 6th of March, in latitude 42. 20. Oporto E. by S., distant ninety-two leagues, at day-light fell in with a British ship, who had a signal of distress out (name unknown) without a living creature on board. She was laden with provisions, bale goods, &c.; when boarded, she had nine feet water in her hold. Captain Harrison directed her pumps to be tried, when his people soon cleared her of the water, found out her leak, and stopped it. The same day he gave chase to a sail, which he came up with and took: she proved to be the *Aimable Maria*, from Bourdeaux for St Domingo. In the evening of the same day, Captain Harrison got sight of another British ship, with a signal of distress out, and was greatly surprized, when he came up with her, to find her also abandoned. Her cargo was the same as the other; she had eight feet water in her hold, which was soon cleared, and the leak in a great measure stopped. Captain Harrison suspected that there was some trick in the intended loss of these ships,

ships, especially the last, as she appeared to have been abandoned for some time, was a fine vessel of thirty guns, but not well furnished for a long, or even a West India voyage.

On the 17th, Captain Harrison was chased with his three ships in company, by a brig, which he soon perceived to be a privateer, and immediately gave chase to her himself, on which the enemy endeavoured to make off, when after a pursuit of twenty-six hours, during which time he run sixty leagues, the enemy's main-top-mast broke, and fell over the side; he then came up with her, on which she struck, and proved to be the *Aimable Josepha*, a Spanish privateer of St Sebastians, mounting fourteen guns, and having a crew of one hundred and three men. On the 6th of May Captain Harrison took the *Mequilet*, a French privateer of Bayonne, of fourteen guns, and one hundred and six men. On the 4th of June, he took the *Nostre Signora de Bigonia*, a Spanish privateer of Bilboa, of sixteen guns, twenty swivels, and one hundred and ninety-five men; and on the 15th of September, in company with the *Lark*, Captain Shirley, took the *Carnabel*, a Spanish privateer of St Sebastians, of eight guns, and eighty men. On the 18th, they took the *Duc de Penthièvre*, a French privateer of Bayonne, of fourteen guns, and one hundred and six men; and on the 23d, they took, after a short chase, the *Galgo*, a Spanish privateer of eighteen guns, and one hundred and thirty-six men.

On the 15th of October, the *Venus* took, after a chase of three hours, the *Crozen*, a schooner belonging to the King of France, of six guns, and thirty-six men.

The *Æolus*, Captain Hotham, took, when on a cruise off Cape Finisterre, two French privateers belonging to Bayonne, and retook a prize they had taken, viz. a ship from Jamaica; and, in company with the *Brilliant*, Captain Logie, took three French privateers, with a prize which one of them had taken.

On the 29th of August, Captain Hotham, being off Cape Pinas, with the wind westerly, got sight of two sail to the windward, steering to the eastward. On seeing the *Æolus*, they hauled their wind, and stood in to Aviles-bay, just to the westward of the Cape. In doing this, the Captain plainly discovered their force, and saw that one of them was a very large ship; but judging that they had done this, on purpose to avoid

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void meeting with him, for Aviles did not appear a port capable of receiving a ship of her size, he resolved, as soon as the wind and weather would admit, to reconnoitre it. It was, however, the 2d of September, before he could effect his purpose, when he stood into the bay with a light air of wind from the eastward, and saw the above mentioned ships at anchor; the smallest close under the westmost land of the bay, about three or four miles distant from the other, which was observed to be warping towards the entrance of Aviles river. She had sufficient time to do this, before it was in Captain Hotham's power to give her any interruption. The wind freshened, and Captain Hotham stood farther on. Opening the point round which the largest ship lay, he received her fire, and that of a three gun battery, which was not observed before, situated on an eminence within the point. Judging, however, that after the *Æolus* was properly placed, the battery could not give much annoyance, he made a small trip, and about three in the afternoon, anchored with a spring on his cable, in such a position, as to be able to direct part of the ship's fire upon the battery, at the same time that he attacked the enemy's ship. To this cannonade, the Spaniards made a very faint return; and, soon after, took to their boats and abandoned the ship; on which Captain Hotham sent Mr Pasley, his first Lieutenant, on board, to take possession of her, at the same time covering him from the fire which was still kept up from the battery. No sooner had Lieutenant Pasley got on board the prize, than the enemy abandoned the battery; and, to prevent their returning to it, and giving any interruption from it during the night, Captain Hotham sent Lieutenant Campbell on shore with a party of marines, who spiked up the guns. When the tide was about half ebb, the prize grounded; but there being a probability of getting her off the next flood, anchors and warps were carried out, and every necessary means made use of to accomplish it: but she bulged in the night before the tide had risen high enough to float her, rendering every method for this design fruitless, on which she was set on fire. From some papers found on board, Captain Hotham learned that she was a Spanish ship called the *St Joseph*, from the Caraccas, bound to Cadage, and laden with hides and cocoa. She had only thirty-

two guns mounted, was capable of being made to carry sixty, having ring-bolts fixed below, and her timbers cut for that purpose; but had only a few of her lower ports cut out, and might measure about twelve hundred tons. Captain Hotham strongly recommended it to the Captain of the Charming Nancy, privateer of Jersey, to go and attack the other ship: but, although of much superior force, he declined it. As soon as day broke on the 3d, he weighed, and went himself in search of her: but not being able to see any thing of her, he concluded she had escaped, by putting to sea in the night. Captain Hotham was greatly pleased with the behaviour of his ship's company on this occasion; and although his rigging and sails were much damaged, he fortunately had not a man hurt.

On the 11th of September, between St Andero and Bilbao, he fell in with, and gave chase to seven sail of ships, steering to the westward. They all mounted guns; and three of them appeared to be frigates. They were too strong for him to attack alone; but he kept them company, in hopes of falling in with some of the British cruisers: not being so fortunate as do so, he was obliged to leave them, and return to his station, in doing of which, he took a sloop from Bourdeaux, bound to St Domingo, laden with provisions, one of the above convoy, but which had separated soon after sailing.

The Fame and Lyon, took the Escorial, a French sloop of war, mounting ten guns, and the Villevean, a French ship from the Isle de Bourbon, having a cargo of four thousand bales of cotton.

The Milford of twenty-eight guns, Captain Robert Man, in latitude 34. 15. N. and longitude 25. 7. W. from London, on the 7th of March, at ten in the morning, saw a sail, to which he gave chase, and came up with at ten o'clock at night. A very close action immediately commenced; at the beginning of which, Captain Man had the misfortune to receive a shot through the right thigh, from a six pound ball, of which wound he died at three the next morning. Lieutenant Day, on whom the command devolved, fought the ship with great spirit, until half an hour past eleven o'clock, when he received a wound from a musket ball in the middle of the forehead, which totally deprived him of his senses, and of which he died

two days afterwards. The second Lieutenant, Mr Nash, continued the action, until half past two next morning, when the enemy struck. She proved to be the *Gloire*, from Passage, belonging to Bourdeaux, and bound to St Domingo, a letter of marque. She mounted sixteen six-pounders, but pierced for twenty, ten swivels, and ninety-four men; was laden with wine, flour, brandy, bale goods, &c. They had six men killed, and eighteen wounded. The *Milford* had her Captain, first Lieutenant, and two men killed, and thirteen wounded.

The *Valiant*, Commodore Keppel, the 11th of March, on his voyage to the West Indies, met the *St Priest*, a French East India ship, of seven hundred tons burden, and two hundred and thirty men besides passengers, from the *Isle de Bourbon*, bound to Port L'Orient. Her cargo consisted of coffee and pepper.

The *Blonde*, Captain Kennedy, took, after an hour's engagement, the *Boutin*, a French East India ship, of four hundred and sixty tons, mounting twenty guns, having one hundred and eighty-nine men on board, including passengers, bound from the *Mauritius* to Port L'Orient, laden with coffee and pepper.

We shall conclude this first part of Naval and Military Transactions, with the narrative of a very brave action of the Honourable Captain John Ruthven, Commander of his Majesty's ship the *Terpsichore*, of twenty-six six-pounders only, who, after an obstinate defence, compelled the *Marquis de Marigny*, of twenty nine-pounders, but pierced for twenty-four, to strike. She was bound from Bourdeaux to St Domingo. The conduct of Captain Ruthven was much applauded. The enemy endeavoured to avoid a close engagement, and to avail himself of his great superiority of weight of metal; but Captain Ruthven by getting close upon his weather quarter, made his six pounders do as much execution as the enemy's nine pounders. The enemy had nine men killed, and eighteen wounded. On board of the *Terpsichore*, five men were killed, and the Captain and sixteen wounded.

A LIST of the principal FRENCH and SPANISH PRIVATEERS taken, and by whom, from the end of the Year 1761, to the conclusion of the War.

PRIVATEERS NAMES.	No. of		Belonging to	By whom taken.	No. of		CAPTAINS NAMES.	How disposed of.
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Cerberus -	12	105	} St Malo	Tartar -	28	200	J. Knight	} Sold.
Augustine -	10	80						
Audacieux -	10	104	Brest -	} Coventry	28	200	Rob. Carpenter	} Ditto.
Dos Amingos -	8	50	StSebastians					
Guerrier -	10	120	Bayonne					
Groignard -	10	126	Ditto -	Tweed -	28	200	W. Palfon	Ditto
Duc d'Ayen -	16	120	Dunkirk					
Cyclope -	8	84	Bayonne	Venus -	36	240	T. Harrison	Ditto.
Aimable Josepha	14	103	StSebastians					
Miquiuet -	14	106	Bayonne	} Ditto, and the Lark	32	220	T. Shirley	Ditto.
N. S. de Bigonia	15	195	Bilboa -					
Duc de Penthièvre	14	106	Bayonne					
Galgo -	18	136	Bilboa -	Æolus -	32	220	W. Hotham	Ditto.
Perrier -	6	80	Bayonne					
Éperance -	6	60	Bayonne	} Ditto, and the Brilliant	36	240	Ja. Logie	Ditto.
Malouin -	6	80	St Malo -					
Curieux -	6	33	Ditto -					
Nigonus -	3	63	Bayonne					

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PRIVATEERS NAMES.	No. of		Belonging to	By whom taken.	No. of		CAPTAINS NAMES.	How disposed of.
	Guns.	Men.			Guns.	Men.		
Romaine - - -	20	130	Dunkirk	Essex -	64	500	A. Schomberg	Sold.
Duc de Fronfac	12	120	---	Bellona -	74	600	P. Denis	Ditto.
Serviceable -	8	90	---	Mermaid	24	180	G. Watfon	Ditto.
A Spanish packet	14	59	---					
Le Baillen -	14	160	---	Royal William				Ditto.
La Minx - -	10	68	St Sebastien		84	750	H. Pigot	
N. S. del Corolyas,	16	170	Rochelle					
Anama Guipulcoa	10	201	St Sebastians	Boston -	32	220	Sir Tho. Adams	Ditto.
Family Compact	10	85	Bayonne	Liverpool	28	200	R. Knight	Ditto.
Grand Amiral -	14	82	Ditto -	Richmond	32	220	J. Elphinstone	Ditto.
Bearnoife - -	8	45	Morlaix	Renown	32	220	---	Ditto.
Soujon - - -	16	129	St Malo					
Comte d'Heronville	8	64	Bayonne	Adventure	32	220	Cha. Middleton	Ditto.
Domerville - -	12	90						
Bequier - - -	8	65						
Artagnia - -								

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PRIVATEERS NAMES.	No. of		Belonging to	By whom taken.	No. of		CAPTAINS NAMES.	How disposed of.
	Guns.	Men.			Guns.	Men.		
Duc de Broglie	14	80	Dunkirk	Dispatch sloop	12	100	Hon. P. Bertie	{ Sold. She had 6 ranf. on board.
Nannen	6	50	St Malo	{ Looc -	40	250	T. Penny	
Jupitre	22	185	Bayonne					{ Ditto.
Cantabria	14	115	---	Aldborough	24	160	M. Graham	
N.S. de la Piedad, alias Colondrina	8	65	---	Dolphin	24	160	R. Keeler	{ Ditto. Ditto. Had 5 ranf. on board.
Mars	10	50	---	Diana	32	220	W. Adams	
Dunkerquoise	4	30	{ Dunkirk	Juno	32	220	Hon. G. Falconer	{ Ditto.
Comte de Flandre	10	70		Brilliant	36	240	Ja. Logie	
La Galga	6	56	St Sebastians	Diligence sloop	12	100	W. Osborn	{ Ditto.
Esperance	6	66	St Malo	{ Arethufa	32	220	Hon. Raby Vane	
Malouin	6	34	St Malo					{ Ditto.
La Parfait	12	103	St Sebastians	Niger	32	220	T. Cornwall	
Amitié	18	77	Bayonne	Acteon	28	220	P. H. Ourry	Ditto.
Victoire	10	77	Ditto					
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It would be doing injustice to the British sailors embarked in private ships of war, not to record the following instances of their bravery.

The Brilliant and Duke of York privateers, commanded by Captains Creighton and , gave chase to some Spanish vessels, who took shelter in a small port near Cape Finisterre, defended by a battery of four guns at the entrance. This they attacked, and in two hours beat the Spaniards from the guns: they then landed and hoisted British colours on it. They had it in their power to have laid the town in ashes, but contented themselves with spiking up the cannon, burning two ships that lay there in ballast, and bringing off four vessels which were laden with wine for the use of the Spanish fleet at Ferrol. All this they performed with no other loss, than two men killed, and twelve wounded.

The Hampden packet, of eight guns and thirty men, commanded by Captain Board, stationed between Faro and Gibraltar, was attacked off Teneriffe, by eleven privateers, who bore down in order of battle. Their Commodore was a barco-longo of eight guns, and sixty men. His second, a xebeque of the same force. Those led the van. Five others of a lesser size came a little astern of the Commodore; the other four vessels had each a gun in their prow, and were manned with twenty-five or thirty men each: these brought up the rear. The battle began at eleven o'clock: at half past one they hauled their wind, and returned from whence they came, leaving the packet to proceed to Gibraltar, where she arrived about three o'clock the same day. Her rigging and sails were much cut; but she had the good fortune not to have a man hurt. It was afterwards learned, that the enemy had four killed, and eight wounded.

The King George privateer, Captain Reed, took, after an obstinate engagement of two hours and a half, the Tyger frigate of twenty-six nine pounders, and two hundred and forty men, commanded by M. Fabry, from St Domingo, bound to Bourdeaux. She was a King's frigate, lent to the merchants, who fitted her out. During the action, three of her guns burst; by which accident, the enemy had twenty men killed outright, and a great number wounded; besides having eighty
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men killed or wounded in the battle. Her cargo was valued at 150,000 l. The King George had three men killed, and twelve wounded; but of these eight died of their wounds.

WE cannot conclude the first part of these Memoirs, without mentioning the following circumstances, so very characteristic of our Most Gracious Sovereign.

On the 10th of January, the *Zenobie*, a frigate belonging to the King of France, of twenty-two guns, and two hundred and ten men, sailed from Havre-de-Grace, on a cruise. On the 12th, they were overtaken by a violent storm, and, after using every effort, were obliged to run the ship ashore on the peninsula of Portland; where, with much difficulty, seventy-one of the crew were saved, who got on shore with very few clothes. The barbarous inhabitants, however, came down and stripped the poor unfortunate creatures of what little the sea had left them. They must have perished, had not Mr Taver, the Governor of Portland, interposed his authority, and exerted his benevolence. When somewhat recovered from their bruises and fatigues, he sent them to Weymouth; from whence the Officers wrote to the Lords of the Admiralty, petitioning their Lordships, that, in commiseration of their distresses, they would not add captivity to their misfortunes. The Secretary of the Admiralty immediately answered their letter, in which he informed them, that the Lords of the Admiralty had laid their letter before his Majesty, who was graciously pleased to order, in compassion of their deplorable circumstances, that they were not to be regarded as prisoners, but that they should all of them be immediately clothed, and maintained at his expense, until embarked for France.

This humanity and generosity was attended with the following good effect. On the night of the 25th of January, in a violent storm, a British vessel was drove ashore near to Havre-de-Grace, and broke to pieces, but the crew were saved. The Commandant of the place being informed of this, immediately ordered them good comfortable quarters, and allowed the common men at the rate of thirty fous a day, until they were embarked for England.

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The enemy took from us but one sloop, viz. the *Gramont*, which they found in the harbour of St John's, Newfoundland; and the *Basilisk* bomb-ketch of eight guns, commanded by Captain Lowfield, who, on her voyage to England from the Havanna, was, on the 29th of October, taken by the *Audacia*, privateer of Bayonne, of eighteen guns, and one hundred and forty men, after a most obstinate engagement, in which both Captain Lowfield and his Lieutenant were mortally wounded, and many of the crew were killed.

Besides the loss already mentioned of the *Raisonné* and *Chesterfield*, in the West Indies, we had the misfortune to lose the *Humber* of forty guns, Captain Onslow, on Hazeborough sand, off the coast of Norfolk, as he was conveying home the Baltic fleet. The Captain and crew were saved.

The *Peregrine*, *Scorpion*, *Savage*, and *Epreuve* sloops of war, with all their crews, were likewise lost.

In the East Indies, the *Tyger* and *Salisbury* became quite unserviceable, and were broke up. The *Falmouth* was also worn out, and obliged to be left at Batavia.

In the course of this year, we took one hundred and twenty privateers and merchant ships from the enemy; many of them of very great value. In point of numbers, our loss was much superior to both French and Spaniards; but few of them were of very great value, except the *Walpole* outward bound East India ship, and those which the King of Spain had most ungenerously detained in his ports when the two courts came to a rupture. The Spaniards had neither fleets, cruizers, nor privateers at sea, sufficient to give great annoyance to our commerce; and for the French, they had scarcely any thing at sea but frigates and privateers. They did our trade some mischief; but such numbers of them were captured by our cruizers, that, towards the close of the war, the seas were well cleared of them, and their mercantile people in general so much hurt by the losses they had sustained, that they were not in a condition to fit out more. No nation ever paid dearer for a ten months war than Spain did; and she well deserved it for her temerity. Considering that she lost the Havanna, with a great part of the island of Cuba; the Philippine Islands, with a great many mer-

chant ships at both places, the Manila galleon, the *Hermione*, and other valuable ships, together with a large squadron of ships of war, she got too easily out of her difficulties at the peace. We hazard nothing in asserting, that it was owing to the immense pecuniary aid which the state derived from the unparalleled successes with which all our principal operations were attended, that Great Britain was enabled to prosecute with vigour the most expensive, as well as the most extensive war that ever this kingdom waged. To this must be added the prodigious subsidies paid for a number of years to foreign princes; and the aid afforded the kingdom of Portugal, in men, money, and ships, which saved her from being overpowered by the Spaniards and French. From the great superiority of our navy, our trade received such ample protection, that during the last three years of the war, it greatly increased; yet, considerable as our resources were, we should have found the war much more oppressive to us, had it not been for the great influx of money which flowed into the kingdom from an extensive war, and of which Government reaped the immediate advantage.

In order to bring into one strong point of view, the very great success which the British obtained over the French navy, the reader will find at Note 203. in the Appendix to this work, complete lists of the French ships of war, taken, lost, and destroyed, from the year 1755, to the present time; and at Note 204, a similar list of the British ships of war; A list of the British navy, as it stood at the conclusion of the war, together with a list of such Captains of the navy as lost their lives in the service of their country: Also, a complete list of the British navy as it stood at the conclusion of the war, with the names of the Captains of each ship, (See Note 205); with a list of the Spanish navy, as it stood in 1759, (See Note 206.)

The King of France had signified his wishes to the British Court, through the King of Sardinia's Ambassador there, that he was desirous that the negotiations for peace might be renewed. In consequence of this, the Duke of Bedford was sent to Paris, as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Court of London; and the Duc de Nivernois came

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to London in the same character, from the Court of Versailles. The preliminaries for a peace with France, Spain, and Great Britain, were signed at Fontainebleau, the 3d of November. (See Note 207.)

After the recital of such glorious successes, the reader will no doubt be greatly surprized to find how very inadequate was the peace just made; especially when it is considered, that the King of Prussia's affairs were now taking a favourable turn, and that they required no concessions on our part to obtain better conditions for him. The same may be said of the King of Portugal; while, by our successes in the East and West Indies, the whole American dominions of Spain lay at our mercy. By this famous treaty of peace, we gained, in America, the whole province of Canada, with the islands of St John and Cape Breton, and all that part of Louisiana which lies on the east of the river Mississippi, the town of New Orleans excepted, and the free navigation of the river Mississippi. The French were permitted to fish on the banks of Newfoundland, under certain limitations. The islands of St Peter and Miquelon, were ceded to them for the curing of their fish, and the conducting of their fishery; but they were not to erect any fortifications there, or to keep a garrison stronger than fifty men. Spain to relinquish her claim to fish on the banks of Newfoundland. Great Britain to be permitted to cut logwood, and build houses, but not to erect fortifications. All fortifications that were erected, to be demolished. Spain to restore any places she may have conquered in Portugal, and to cede to Great Britain the province of Florida; in consideration of which, Great Britain was to restore the Havanna and its dependencies to Spain. Martinico, Guadaloupe, Marigalante, to be restored to France, together with the neutral island of St Lucia. Great Britain to retain the Grenades and the Grenadines, with the neutral islands of Dominica, St Vincent, and Tobago. In Europe, the island of Minorca to be restored to Great Britain, and the island of Belleisle to France. The fortifications of Dunkirk to be demolished. In Africa, Great Britain was to retain Senegal, and restore the island of Gorée to France. In Asia, all our conquests made from France in this part of the globe, to be restored; but with this restriction,

that she was to erect no fortifications in the province of Bengal.

The terms of the peace were loudly arraigned; yet, at the same time, they had many advocates in their defence. The immense extent of our American dominions, now that Great Britain can call Canada and Florida her own, would leave our American subjects at full liberty to pursue their different avocations, without any European power disturbing them. The natives could easily be kept in awe, when unsupported. The prospects held out for improvements in commerce, were boundless; and promised adventurers such immense returns, as would gratify the utmost avidity. Such was the language of the friends of Administration; but those attached to Opposition, and they were not a few, drew a very different picture. The full security, exclaimed they, that is to be enjoyed by the Americans, will not end to the advantage of Britain, when they have nothing to fear. They will forget the favours they have received from the mother-country, when they are no longer in need of her support. They will endeavour to aggrandize themselves, and get clear of the controul with which their commerce is fettered; and when the temper of the first emigrants to the western continent was reviewed, gratitude and loyalty could not be supposed to be ingrafted on their descendants. In their opinion, Canada should have been restored to France; the limits of Nova Scotia extended; the islands of Cape Breton and St John retained; and France excluded from the Newfoundland fishery. Spain should have been permitted to keep Florida; it never was an object worth the contending for; and considering that Great Britain possessed the key to the Spanish West Indies as long as they held the Havanna, they should not have parted with it, without a very valuable consideration;—a part of the island of Hispaniola, or the island of Porto Rico, and our right to the logwood trade established; a territory on the Spanish Main in the bay of Honduras, and bay of Campeachy, ceded to us, together with the island of Rattan, for which the Spaniards should have had the island of Minorca. The French should either have been obliged to yield up their half of the island of Hispaniola, or the island of Guadaloupe and its dependencies, to Great Britain.

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Belleisle to be restored to them, with Gorée in Africa. It should likewise have been a stipulation between our Court and that of Madrid, that if the enterprize against the Philippine Islands proved successful, an equivalent should have been given before they were restored. Had this been the case, one of those islands might have been secured to us; and by means of it, we might have become rivals to the Dutch in the spice trade. But by the terms of peace, the best opportunity was lost of humbling the pride of the House of Bourbon that ever did, or perhaps ever will be again in the power of Great Britain.

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Note 157. Supplies granted for the Year 1760.

I. For the Navy, &c.

	£.	s.	d.
For 70,000 seamen, including 18,355 marines, at £1 per man per month, for thirteen months, including the ordnance for sea-service, for 1760,	3,640,000	0	0
For the ordinary of the navy, including half-pay to sea-officers, for 1760,	232,629	5	1
Towards carrying on the works of the hospital for sick and wounded seamen, building at Hasler near Gosport, for 1760,	10,000	0	0
Towards carrying on the works of the hospital for sick and wounded seamen, building near Plymouth, for 1760,	10,000	0	0
Towards purchasing ground, erecting jetty-heads for careening-wharfs, capstain-houses, store-houses, and other accommodations necessary for refitting his Majesty's fleet at Halifax, for 1760,	8,000	0	0
Upon account, towards the support of Greenwich hospital,	10,000	0	0
For the charge of transport-service between January 1. and September 30. 1759, including the expence of victualling his Majesty's land-forces within the said time,	501,078	16	6
Towards the buildings, rebuildings, and repairs, of his Majesty's ships, for 1760,	200,000	0	0
Towards paying off and discharging the debt of the navy,	1,000,000	0	0
	£.	5,611,708	1 7

II. For the Land forces, &c.

For defraying the charge of 57,294 land-forces, including those in Germany, and 4010 invalids, for guards and garrisons, &c. in Great Britain, Guernsey, and Jersey, for 1760,	1,383,748	0	10
For maintaining his Majesty's forces and garrisons in the Plantations, Gibraltar, Guadaloupe, Africa, and the East Indies, and for provisions for the garrisons in Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Gibraltar, Providence, Cape-Breton, Guadaloupe, Senegal, and Goree, for 1760,	846,168	19	0

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For defraying the charge of four regiments of foot, on the Irish establishment, serving in North America, for 1760,	-	35,744 8 4
For the pay of the general, and general staff-officers, and officers of the hospitals, for his Majesty's land-forces, for 1760,	-	54,454 11 9
For defraying the charge of the embodied militia of the several counties in South Britain, and of the Fencible Men of Argyleshire, and Lord Sutherland's battalion of Highlanders in North Britain, for 122 days, from December 25. 1759 to April 25. 1760, both days inclusive,	-	102,006 4 8
For the charge of the office of ordnance for land-service, for 1760,	-	230,296 4 6
For defraying the extraordinary expence of services performed by the office of ordnance for land-service, and not provided for, in 1759,	-	280,563 16 10
For pensions to the widows of reduced officers of his Majesty's land-forces and marines, who were married before December 25. 1716, for 1760,	-	2,042 0 0
For defraying the extraordinary expences of his Majesty's land-forces, and other services incurred, to November 24. 1759, and not provided for,	-	953,302 15 5
Upon account, for the reduced officers of his Majesty's land-forces and marines, for 1760,	-	35,651 9 0
For allowances to the officers and private gentlemen of the two troops of horse guards, and regiment of horse, reduced, and to the superannuated gentlemen of the four troops of horse-guards, for 1760,	-	2,946 0 0
Upon account, to enable his Majesty to give a proper compensation to the respective provinces in North America, for the expences incurred by them in the levying, cloathing, and pay, of the troops raised by them, according as the active vigour and strenuous efforts of the respective provinces shall be thought by his Majesty to merit,	-	200,000 0 0
Upon account, to be paid to the East India Company, towards enabling them to defray the expence of a military force, in their settlements, to be maintained by them, in lieu of the battalion of his Majesty's forces commanded by Colonel Adlercron, withdrawn from thence, and now returned to Ireland,	-	20,000 0 0
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19 10	Upon account, for outpensioners of Chelsea hospital, for 1760,	25,000	0	0
8 4	For defraying the charge of several augmentations to his Majesty's forces, since the estimate of guards and garrisons for the year 1760 was presented, from their respective commencements to December 24. 1760,	134,139	17	4
11 9	For defraying the charge of the embodied militia of the several counties in South Britain, from the respective times that they were embodied, and of the Fencible men of Argyleshire, and Lord Sutherland's battalion of Highlanders, in North Britain, from the commencement of their establishment to December 24. 1760,	260,104	16	8
5 4 8	Upon account, for defraying the charge of cloathing for the embodied militia, for 1760,	30,722	0	0
5 4 6	For reimbursing to the colony of New York, their expences in furnishing provisions and stores to the troops raised by them for his Majesty's service, for the campaign in 1756,	2,977	7	8
3 16 11	To be employed in maintaining and supporting the British forts and settlements upon the coast of Africa,	10,000	0	0
2 0 0	For defraying the extraordinary expences of his Majesty's land-forces, and other services, incurred from November 24. 1759 to December 24. following, and not provided for,	420,120	1	0
2 15 8	Upon account, towards defraying the charge of pay and cloathing for the unembodied militia, for the year ending March 25. 1761,	80,000	0	0
1 9	Upon account, to enable his Majesty to defray any extraordinary expences of the war, incurred or to be incurred, for the service of the year 1760; and to take all such measures as may be necessary to disappoint or defeat any enterprises or designs of his enemies, and as the exigency of affairs may require,	1,000,000	0	0
6 0	For defraying the charge of a regiment to light dragoons, and of an additional company to Lt.-Col. Vaughan's corps, for 1760,	12,874	15	10
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For defraying the charge—of 38,750 men of the troops of Hanover, Wolfenbuttle, Saxe-Gotha, and Count of Buckeburg, together with that of general and staff officers, actually employed against the common enemy, in concert with the King of Prussia, from December 25. 1759 to December 24. 1760, both days inclusive, to be issued in advance, every two months, in like manner as the pay of the Hessian forces now in the service of Great Britain; the said troops to be mustered by an English commissary, and the effective state thereof to be ascertained by the signature of the commander in chief of the said forces,

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— of an augmentation of 1001 light cavalry, the troops of Hanover, in the pay of Great Britain, for 366 days, from December 25. 1759 to December 24. 1760, both days inclusive,

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— of 2120 horse, and 9900 foot, together with the general and staff officers, the officers of the hospital, and officers and others belonging to the train of artillery, the troops of the Landgrave of Hesse-Cassel, in the pay of Great Britain, for 366 days, from December 25. 1759 to December 24. 1760, both days inclusive, together with the subsidy for the said time, pursuant to treaty,

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— of an additional corps of 920 horse and 6072 foot, &c. ditto troops in ditto pay, for 366 days, from January 1. 1760 to December 31. following, both days inclusive, pursuant to treaty,

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— of an augmentation of four squadrons of hunters and hussars, ditto troops in ditto pay, from December 25. 1759 to December 24. 1760, both days inclusive,

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— of two additional squadrons of hussars, and two companies of chasseurs, together with an augmentation to the horse, dragoons, and foot, ditto troops in ditto pay, for 1760,

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— of an augmentation of five battalions to the King's army in Germany, each battalion consisting of one troop of 101 men, and four companies of foot, of 125 men in each company,

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	Brought forward,	£.	s.	d.
	with a corps of artillery, for 366 days, from December 25. 1759 to December 24. 1760, both days inclusive,	970,813	8	6½
	For defraying the charge — of 959 cavalry, and 1454 infantry, the troops of the reigning Duke of Brunswick, in the pay of Great Britain, pursuant to treaty,	52,903	19	2
	— of an augmentation to ditto troops in ditto pay, pursuant to an ulterior convention, signed at Paderborn, March 5. 1760,	66,926	3	0½
	Upon account, as a present supply towards defraying the charges of forage, bread, bread-waggons, train of artillery, and of provisions, wood, straw, &c. and other extraordinary expences and contingencies of his Majesty's combined army under the command of Prince Ferdinand,	23,843	5	11
	To enable his Majesty to make good his engagements—with the King of Prussia, pursuant to a convention concluded November 9. 1759,	500,000	0	0
	— with the Landgrave of Hesse-Cassel, pursuant to the separate article of the treaty concluded January 17. 1759, and renewed by a treaty concluded November 9. 1759; the same to be paid as his Most Serene Highness shall think it most convenient, in order to facilitate the means by which he may again fix his residence in his own dominions, and give fresh courage to his faithful subjects by his presence, which is so much wished for,	670,000	0	0
		60,000	0	0
		£. 2,344,486	10	7½

IV. For discharging Sums granted by the preceding Session, replacing Sums borrowed from the Sinking Fund, &c.

To enable his Majesty to discharge the like sum raised in pursuance of an act of last session, and charged upon the first supplies to be granted in this session,	1,000,000	0	0
To replace to the sinking fund the like sums paid out of it to make good the deficiencies,—of the duties upon offices and pensions, and upon houses and windows, July 5. 1759, granted by an act 31st George II.	124,736	7	1½
Carried forward,	£. 1,124,736	7	1½

	Brought forward,	£. 1,124,736 7 15
—	of the subsidy of poundage upon certain goods imported, and an additional inland duty on coffee and chocolate, July 5. 1759, granted by an act 32d George II.	84,141 15 8
—	of the duties on glass and spirituous liquors, Jan. 5. 1759, granted by an act 19th Geo II.	8,752 6 10
—	of the additional stamp duty, duty on licences for retailing wine, duty on coals exported, and surplus of the duty on licences for retailing spirituous liquors, Jan. 5. 1759, granted by an act 30th George II.	7,651 9 8
	To make good the deficiency of the grants for the service of 1759,	75,170 0 3
	To make good the like sums issued by his Majesty, pursuant to addresses of the Commons,—to Jane Hardinge, widow, as administratrix of Nicholas Hardinge, Esq; deceased, as a recompence for his pains and services in preparing copies of the Journals of the Commons for the press, and in managing and directing the printing of them, for the use of the members of the House,	3,000 0 0
—	to Jeremiah Dyson, Esq; towards defraying the expence of printing the Journals of the Commons from the beginning of the 9th parliament of Great Britain, to the end of the 4th session of this present parliament, and of making and printing indexes to the 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th volumes of the Journals of the House,	2,000 0 0
		£. 1,305,451 19 7

V. *For matters of Police, extraordinary Services, &c.*

Upon account, towards enabling the principal officers of his Majesty's ordnance to defray the necessary charges and expences of taking down and removing the present magazine for gunpowder, and all buildings belonging thereto, situated near Greenwich, in Kent, and of erecting a new magazine for gunpowder, and other buildings necessary thereto, in some more proper and less dangerous situation, and to enable them to purchase lands for that purpose,	£. 15,000 0 0
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7 18	To enable ditto to pay interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per ann. from August 25. 1759 to April 25. 1760, for the sum of L. 23,800 : 11 : 11, remaining in his Majesty's office of ordnance, upon the said 25th of April, and not paid into the hands of the Deputy Remembrancer of Exchequer, as directed by an act of last session for making compensation for lands and hereditaments, purchased for his Majesty's service, at Chatham, Portsmouth, and Plymouth, by reason of doubts and difficulties which have arisen touching the execution of the said act,	634	13	7
15 8	Towards enabling the governors and guardians of the Foundling hospital to continue to carry into execution the good purposes for which they were incorporated,	5,000	0	0
6 10	Upon account, towards enabling ditto to maintain, educate, and bind apprentice, such children as were admitted into the hospital on or before February 8. 1760,	44,157	10	0
9 8	Upon account, towards enabling ditto to maintain and educate such children as were admitted into the hospital between February 8. and March 26. 1760,	3,127	10	0
0 3	The preceding three articles to be issued and paid without fee or reward, or any deduction whatever.			
0 0	To be applied towards the improving, widening, and enlarging the passage over and through London bridge,	15,000	0	0
19 7	Upon account, for supporting and maintaining the settlement of Nova Scotia, for 1760,	11,785	6	10
	Upon account, for defraying the charges incurred by supporting and maintaining ditto settlement, in 1758, and not provided for,	5,851	4	9
	Upon account, for defraying the charges of the civil establishment of his Majesty's colony of Georgia, and other incidental expences attending the same, from June 24. 1759 to June 24. 1760,	4,057	10	0
	For defraying the extraordinary charges of his Majesty's mint in the Tower of London, in 1759,	11,940	13	10
0 0	Upon account, for paying and discharging so much of the debts, with the necessary expences attending the payment of the same, claimed and			
0 0	Carried forward,	£. 116,554	9	0

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sustained upon the lands and estate which became forfeited to the Crown by the attainder of John Drummond, taking upon himself the title of Lord John Drummond, brother to James Drummond, taking upon himself the title of Duke of Perth, as shall be remaining unsatisfied, and not already provided for,		116,554	9	0
			2,500	0 0
Total for matters of police, extraordinary services, &c.	}	119,054	9	0
Total for the navy, &c.	-	£. 5,611,708	1	7
Total for the land-forces, &c.	-	6,122,863	8	11½
Total for foreign subsidies, pay to foreign troops, &c.	}	2,344,486	16	7½
Total for discharging sums granted by the preceding session, replacing sums borrowed from the sinking fund, &c.	}	1,305,451	19	7½
Total of the supplies granted for the year 1760,		£. 15,503,564	15	9½

Note 158. A List of his Majesty's Ships in the East Indies, under the command of Rear-Admiral Stevens, 1760; with the Land-Forces at the Siege of Pondicherry, various Returns, &c.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Norfolk,	74	{ Charles Stevens, Rear-Admiral of the Red.
		{ Captain Rd Kempensfelt.
Lenox,	74	{ Sam. Cornish, Rear-Admiral of the White.
		{ Capt. Rob. Jocelyn.
Grafton,	68	Hyde Parker.
Elizabeth,	64	Rd Fiddeman.
Duc d'Aquitaine,	64	Sir Wm Hewit, Bt.
Weymouth,	60	Richard Collins.
Sunderland,	60	Hon. James Colvill.
York,	60	Rich. Hughes.
Tyger,	60	J. S. Somersfet.
Panther,	60	Philip Affleck.
America,	60	Robert Haldane.

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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Medway,	60	J. B. Tinker.
Falmouth,	50	Wm Brereton.
Newcastle,	50	Digby Dent.
Salisbury,	50	Sir William Baird, Bt.
Chatham,	50	Thomas Lynn.

FRIGATES.

South Sea Castle.	40	W. Newfom.
Liverpool,	28	Rich. Knight.
Queenborough,	20	Daniel.

A List of his Majesty's Land Forces at the Siege of Pondicherry.

<i>Regiments.</i>	<i>Commandants.</i>
79th, —	Lieutenant-Colonel Wm Draper.
84th, —	————— Eyre Coote.
89th, —	————— S. L. Morris.
96th, —	————— Hon. Geo. Monfson.

PONDICHERRY. See Note 57. Vol. I.

Articles proposed to Colonel Coote by the Chief of the Jesuits ; to which no answer was returned.

The superior council of Pondicherry, authorised by the Count de Lally, Lieutenant-General of the armies of his Most Christian Majesty, and his Commissary in India, to treat for the said town and its inhabitants, present the following articles to Colonel Coote, Commander of his Britannic Majesty's troops on the coast of Coromandel.

ARTICLE 1. Upon the reduction of the place its inhabitants shall not in any wise be injured ; their houses shall be preserved, and they shall retain their effects and merchandise, with liberty of choice to convey them where ever they shall think proper, or to continue their dwelling in said town, as new subjects of his Britannic Majesty ; and they shall be treated as the old subjects have usually been treated : accordingly, those who have heretofore had possession or advantages, shall not be deprived of them.

ART. 2. They shall be maintained in the exercise of the Roman Catholic religion, in the same manner as has been practised under the French government. The churches and houses of ecclesiastics and religious persons shall be preserved, together with every thing thereunto belonging, whether they be situated without or within the town. The missionaries shall have the liberty of passing from place to place,

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and shall find, under the English flag, the same protection as under the French flag.

ART. 3. Not only the buildings and houses belonging to private persons, whether laymen, ecclesiastics, or religious persons, shall be left in the condition they are; but also the buildings belonging to the company, as well as the fort, the warehouses, and walls of the town, with all the fortifications, until the date of these last; that is to say, every thing of this kind belonging to the Company, shall be decided by the two respective Courts.

ART. 4. The papers of the registry and notary-office, on which depends the fortunes of the inhabitants, shall be sent to France, without any obstacle, by such conveyance as they shall think fit who are now charged with them, and in whose possession they shall in the mean time remain.

ART. 5. The treatment herein before specified in the first article for the inhabitants of Pondicherry, shall be extended to all the members of the council, Company's agents, officers settled in the said town, and all others, who have been, or now are, in the service of the Company; and so in like manner to the merchants, whether Armenians, or of any other nation, settled heretofore in Pondicherry for their trade.

ART. 6. The Creoles, or natives of Mauritius and of Bourbon, amounting in number to forty-one, including five officers, as well those who are in health as those who have been wounded, or are invalids, having served as volunteers, and not being soldiers, shall have the liberty of returning home by the first good opportunity that they may find.

ART. 7. Safeguards shall be granted to prevent disorder.

ART. 8. All the foregoing articles shall be executed agreeable to good faith.

PRISONERS.

The garrison, including the artillery, volunteers, officers, rank and file, and staff, - - - 148
Civil list, including governor, council, and inhabitants, - - - 38
People found not in the above lists, - - - 25

Total, 211

Return of the Brass and Iron Ordnance, carriages, powder, shot, and small arms, found on the works of Pondicherry, Town, Citadel, and Artillery-park.

Brass-ordnance, serviceable, 81	Iron ordnance, serviceable, 48
Ditto unserviceable, 2	Ditto, unserviceable, 4
Howitzers, - - - 13	Howitzers, - - -
Mortars, - - - 82	Mortars, - - -
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Carriages of different sorts,	362	French wall pieces, good,	190
Do. unserviceable,	58	Gingall pieces, old,	73
Mortar-beds, wood,	46	Carabines,	35
Ditto, iron,	7	Fuzees long, new,	120
Lead-shot of different		Ditto old,	50
sorts,	60294	Ditto short,	30
Shells & hand granadoes,	22599	Pistols, new pairs,	6000
Grape-shot,	1095	Ditto, old pairs,	310
Powder in barrels of		Hangers, new,	3200
200 lb. each.		Sabres, new,	1000
Serviceable 207 bar-		Broad-swords and sabres	
rels.		mixed,	195
Do. in barrels of 100	lb. 230580	Bayonets, new,	3000
lb. each.		Ditto old,	2000
Serviceable 1488½		Pole axes,	1200
barrels,		Cartouch boxes,	3000
Barrels unserviceable,	56	Ditto old,	2000
Powder in cartridges, of		Flints, 20 hogshheads.	
different sorts	lb. 40330	Musket balls, 6 barrels.	
Exclusive of small-arms		Ditto 80 kegs.	
ammunition.		Iron ramrods,	12000
Wall-pieces,	2907	Copper drums,	15
Muskets,	36840	Wood ditto,	17
Carabines,	98980	Es pontoons, old,	28
Pistols,	46830	Cartridge boxes of diffe-	
Gingalls,	20700	rent sizes,	20,860
Muskets new, with bayonets,	1550	A small quantity of fixed am-	
Muskets without bayonets,	325	munition.	
Do. with locks, mostly bad,	2351	Ladles of different sizes,	265
Do. unserviceable, between		Spunges ditto, mostly old,	430
7000 and	8000	Lead aprons of differ. sizes,	360
English wall-pieces, good,	18	Wad hooks ditto,	50
Ditto bad,	8	Grates for heating shot,	2
With a large quantity of musket-flings, buff-belts, armourers,			
smiths, and carpenters tools, locks, and other lumber.			

Note 159. A list of his Majesty's Ships on the Leeward island Station in 1760.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Dublin,	74	600	Commodore Sir James Dou- glas, Kt.
Foudroyant,	84	750	Capt. Edward Gascoigne.
Buckingham,	70	520	R. Duff.
Temple,	70	520	P. Parker.
Raisonable,	64	500	L. O' Brien.
Bienfaitant,	64	500	M. Shuldham.
Belliqueux,	64	500	George Balfour.
Galau,	64	520	T. Saumarez.
			James Sayer.
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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders</i>
Lancaster,	66	540	Capt. R. Man.
Montagu,	60	420	Jos. Rowley.
Lyon,	60	420	Ed. Le Cras.

F R I G A T E S.

<i>Emerald,</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>T. Cornwall.</i>
<i>Echo,</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>220</i>	<i>J. Laforey.</i>
<i>Crescent,</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>T. Collingwood.</i>
<i>Griffin,</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>T. Taylor.</i>
<i>Levant,</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>W. Tucker.</i>
<i>Amazon,</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>180</i>	<i>William Norton.</i>
<i>Arundel,</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>160</i>	<i>C. Middleton.</i>
<i>Antigua,</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>James Innes.</i>

Note 160. A List of his Majesty's Ships on the Jamaica Station, under the command of Rear-Admiral Holmes, in 1760 and of the French Fleet which he attacked.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Cambridge,	80	750	{ Rear-Admiral Holmes. Capt. Goofrey.
Edinburgh,	64	480	
Defiance,	60	420	W. Langdon.
Hampshire,	50	350	P. Baird.
Harwich,	50	350	C. Norbury.
Centurion,	50	350	H. Marsh.
Enterprize,	40	250	James Galbraith.
Renown,	32	220	Alex. Innes.
Boreas,	28	200	Geo. Mackenzie.
Cerberus,	28	200	S. Uvedale.
Trent,	28	200	Ch. Webber.
Lively,	20	160	J. Lindsay.
Merlin,			Hon. F. Maitland.
Port Royal,			P. Carteret.
Port Antonio,			Ar. Usher.

A List of the French Fleet attacked by Admiral Holmes.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>	<i>Fate.</i>
Sirrenne,	32	280	Com. M'Cartie,	taken.
Duc de Choiseul,	32	180	Capt. Bellevan,	escaped into Port au Pa
Prince Edward,	32	180	Dubois,	burnt to leeward of dis
Fleur de Lys,	32	190	Digarty,	burnt in Fresh-water
Valeur,	20	160	Talbot,	taken.

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Note 161. A List of the Sea and Land Forces employed on the Expedition against Canada in 1760.

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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>	5 row-gallies 1 24 pounder in each.
Penzance,	40	W. Gough.	4 ditto, 1 22 ditto.
Diana,	32	A. Schomberg.	40 transports.
Porcupine,	16	J. Macartney.	26 boats.
Gaspée,	8		

L A N D - F O R C E S.

A detachment of troops from the garrison of Quebec, consisting of the grenadiers of the ten battalions in garrison, a draught from each battalion, rangers and artillery, making in all - 2600
The above to be joined by the 22d and 40th regiments from Louisburg, under Lord Rollo, - 1200

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To be commanded by Brigadier-General Murray, and to advance against Montreal by means of the river St Lawrence.

An army under Colonel Haviland, to advance by Lakes George and Champlain, attack the French post at Isle aux Noix; and having reduced it, to advance against Montreal. It was composed of

R E G U L A R S.

1st, or Royal Regiment, four companies,	-	-	300
17th regiment,	-	-	600
27th ditto,	-	-	600

P R O V I N C I A L S.

1 battalion,	Newhampshire,	Col. Goffe,	250
1 ditto,	Rhode Island,	Harris,	250
1st and 2d ditto,	} Massachusetts,	Ruggles,	} 1000
3d ditto,		Willard,	
4th ditto,		Whitcomb,	
5th ditto,		Thomas,	

R A N G E R S.

1 company,	-	Captain Rogers,	} 250
1	-	Tate,	
1	-	Ja. Rogers	
1	-	Brewer,	
1	-	Johnson,	

Carried forward, - 3250

	Brought forward,	3250
	INDIANS.	
1 company,	Captain Solomon,	50
A detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery,		100
Total of the corps under Colonel Haviland,		3400

Embarked on the 11th of August in

- 80 whale-boats,
- 330 small boats,
- 3 row-gallies with one gun each,
- 1 radeau carrying six twenty-four pounders, and
- 1 brigantine.

The army under the Commander in Chief was composed of

42d, Royal Highlanders, 1st battalion,	-	500
ditto, 2d ditto,	-	450
46th regiment,	-	500
55th ditto,	-	500
60th ditto,	4th ditto,	500
77th ditto,	8 companies,	600
80th ditto,	light infantry,	500
Grenadiers of the army commanded by Colonel Massey,		600
Light infantry of ditto,	Lieutenant-Colonel Amherst,	600
Rangers,	{ Captain Ogden's } companies,	140
	Waite's }	
Royal Artillery,	-	167
Total regulars,	-	5063

			Total regulars,	5053		
Colonel	{	Scuyler's,	{	New Jersey,	} Provincials,	5079
		Le Roux,		{		
		Woodhull,	{			
		Corfa,		{		
		Lyman,	{			
		Worster,		{		
Fitch,						
		Whiting,				

A corps of Indians under Sir William Johnson, Bart,

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Major-General Amherst, Commander in Chief.

Brigadier-General Gage.

Adjutant General, Lieutenant-Colonel Henry Gladwin.

Quarter Master General, Lieutenant-Colonel John Bradstreet.

Commander of the Artillery, Colonel Geo. Williamson.

Commander of the armed vessels under General Amherst, Captain Joshua Loring of the Royal Navy.

French

French Troops comprehended in the Capitulation of Canada.

Regiment of La Reine, 2d battalion,	}	
La Sarre, ditto,		
Royal Rouffillon, ditto,		
Langnedoc,		
Guyenne,		
Bearn,		
Berry, 2d and 3d battalions,	}	4911
Two batalions of de la Marine, or colony troops,		
Canada Militia,	{ 64 companies in the government of Quebec, 7976 { 19 ditto, Trois Rivières, 1115 { 87 ditto, Montreal, 7331	
Total,	-	20,433

Note 162. List of the different Squadrons of his Majesty's Ships employed in North America in 1760.

Squadron commanded by Lord Colvill.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Northumberland,	70	{ Commodore Lord Colvill. Capt. Wm Adams.
Alcide,	64	
Trident,	64	Julian Legge.
Pembroke,	60	J. Wheelock.
Prince of Orange,	60	S. Wallis.
Richmond,	32	J. Elphinston.
Eurus,	20	N. Bateman.
Porcupine,	16	J. Macartney.
Race Horse,		Geo. Miller.

This squadron wintered in America.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Devonshire,	66	Capt. Geo. Darby.
Norwich,	50	
Greyhound,	24	T. Francis.
Lizard,	28	Ja. Doake.

These four ships convoyed the trade at different times from England to America, and afterwards cruized there.

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The following Squadron was sent out with Stores, and proceeded immediately for Quebec, under the command of Commodore Swanton.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Vanguard,	70	520	Commodore Swanton.
Kingston,	60	420	Capt. W. Parry.
Rochester,	50	350	T. Burnet.
Falkland,	50	350	F. S. Drake.
Sutherland,	50	350	B. Clive.
Penzance,	44	250	W. Gough.
Diana,	36	240	A. Schomberg.
Vengeance,	28	200	G. Nightingale.
Lowestoffe,	28	200	Jof. Deane.

The following Squadron, under the command of Captain Byron, was sent out with some Engineers, and a Company of Miners, to blow up the fortifications of Louisburg.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Fame,	74	Capt. Byron.
Dorsetshire,	70	John Campbell.
Achilles,	60	S. Barrington.
Repulse,	32	J. C. Allen.
Scarborough,	20	J. Stott.

Note 163. A Description of Canada, of the city of Montreal, of La Galette, and Trois Rivières; the Terms on which Canada surrendered; a List of the Forces sent against Montreal, under the commands of Major General Sir Jeffrey Amherst, Brigadier-General Murray, and Colonel Haviland.

CANADA.

The French comprehended under the name of Canada a very large territory, taking into their claim part of New Scotland, New England, and New York; to the west, as far as the Pacific ocean; and to the southward, extending it to the Gulf of Mexico. The country now denominated Canada, and which is formed into a British government, is about five hundred miles long, from the north-east to the south-west, and upwards of two hundred in breadth. It is bounded on the north by New Britain, on the east by New Scotland, New England, and New York; on the south by the Apalachian, and Cherokee mountains; and on the west by lands inhabited by the Indians. Quebec, which is the capital, is seated near the centre, in Lat. 46. 45. W. Lon. 69. 48.

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The winter, for six months of the year, is extremely severe, the snow deep, and, what contributes to give the people of Europe a worse notion of the country than it deserves, this season comes on just before the ships sail for Europe, and that so suddenly, that in two or three days the rivers are full of vast shoals of ice. All the beauties of nature are hid, and nothing is to be seen but snow. Land and water appear the same, and the trees are covered with icicles. As soon as the frost sets in, the whole inhabitants turn out, and mark the roads from one town to another; which they do by fixing long poles in the snow, to direct travellers, who travel about the country with great ease and expedition in a sledge drawn by one horse. The horse is shod on purpose for this work, having one prong in the fore part, and two in the hind part of his shoes, to prevent his sliding or falling in going up or down hill. The only care of the person who drives the sledge is, to prevent its being overturned, or going with too great velocity down hill; which they are so very dexterous at, that seldom any accident happens. The whole stock of provisions needed during the winter, such as beef, mutton, and fowl of all sorts, are killed as soon as the frost is set in. The two former are hung up in the garrets, and a piece, as needed, sawn off, and put into cold spring water for a few minutes, when it thaws, and becomes as fit to roast or boil as the day it was hung up. The poultry are laid in casks, amongst snow, and taken out when wanted; and, by taking the same precautions as with the beef, they become fit for use: in the same manner do they preserve roots.

During winter the cold is so intense, that the inhabitants have their rooms warmed by funnels from their kitchen-fire, besides a good fire in the room: Nor is there any stirring abroad, without being wrapped up in fur and flannel; and, in spite of all these precautions, not a winter passes without the loss of limbs by the benumbing cold. The weather is somewhat milder when the wind gets into the south or east; yet during that time there is always such a prodigious fall of snow, that you cannot see ten paces before you. When the wind blows from the west, the cold is so piercing, that it almost peels the skin off the face. In short, during this terrible season, which is attended with the purest sky imaginable, the cold is so sharp and intense, that even the bears avoid stirring out of their dens.

The most probable causes of this severity of weather are, the long continuance of the snow upon the ground, the great number of mountains, forests, rivers, lakes, the natural humidity of the soil, the vast quantities of ice on the northern ocean, and the high situation of the lands of this tract; though Canada is situated under the same latitudes as the most temperate climates of Europe. It has been observed, that for some years past the winters have gradually abated of their severity; and probably the weather will continue to grow milder, in proportion as the country is cleared of its vast quantity of woods, and as it begins to be cultivated, drained, and peopled. There is a chain of mountains running east and west, more than four hundred leagues, from Tadoussac, as far as Lake Superior, which is probably

the cause of such extraordinary quantities of snow as fall in this country.

The fineness of their summers makes ample amends for the severity of their winters; the heat is so great, that they sow and reap in four months; and the mildness of the autumn is such, during which there is a most beautiful and uninterrupted serenity, that the like is rarely seen in the finest countries of Europe.

The soil in many parts is both pleasing and fertile, producing, with very little labour, wheat, barley, rye, with many other sorts of grain, fruits, and vegetables. Tobacco has been planted, which is used by the meaner sort of people; but, from not being properly manufactured, is wretched insipid stuff, and unfit for sale. The isle of Orleans near Quebec, and the lands upon the river St Lawrence and other rivers, are remarkable for the richness of their soil. The meadows grounds in Canada, which are well watered, yield excellent grass, and feed vast numbers of great and small cattle.

In this country are unbounded forests, not planted by the hands of men, and in all appearance as old as the world itself. They form many magnificent prospects, and produce a vast variety of species of trees, among which are, two sorts of pines, four of fir, two of cedar, two of oak, the male and female maple, three sorts of ash, three of walnut, vast numbers of beech trees, white wood, white and red elms and poplars, with many others. The Indians hollow the red elms into canoes, some of which, made out of one piece, will contain twenty people. About November the bears and wild cats take up their habitations in hollow elms, and remain there till April. Here are likewise found the alder, chestnut, hazel, black and white thorn, apple, pear, plum, and cherry trees; the vinegar tree, the fruit of which, infused in water, produces an acid equal to vinegar; an aquatic plant, called alaco, the fruit of which may be made into confection; Turkey corn, French beans, gourds; capillaire, which grows like fern, and is found in great plenty in the woods. The merchants of Quebec exported great quantities of its syrup annually to France; melons, the hop-plant, &c. From the maple a sap is extracted of an exceeding pleasing taste, and makes a very wholesome drink in fevers. This liquor is drawn by cutting a gash in the tree two inches deep, and about a foot long. At the lower end of the wound, is fixed a small trough, made of reed or cane, six inches long, with a vessel placed underneath to receive the sap. Some trees yield five or six bottles of this liquor in a day, of which the Americans make a sugar of a grey sandy colour, but so hard and solid as not to be easily broken. This sugar is an excellent pectoral. In the same manner do they bleed the spruce fir, (but the incision does not require to be so long or so deep), whence a fragrant balsam is extracted, known by the name of the Canada balsam, less heating than balsam capivi, and of infinite benefit taken internally, in ulcerations of the lungs, as well as externally applied to bruises or green wounds. The time of drawing the sap from both these trees is from the middle of February to the middle of April. An excellent liquor is brewed from

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Near Quebec is a fine lead mine; and in some of the mountains, we are told, silver has been found; though we have not heard any great advantage made of it as yet. Near to Trois Rivières are iron mines, and a foundery, which has turned out to be very profitable, though not wrought to a sufficient extent. The country also abounds with coals.

The principal rivers of Canada are, Outtavais, St John's, Sequenar, Despairies, Trois Rivières, and many others of lesser note, all which fall into the great river St Lawrence. By means of it, the great lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron, Erie, and Ontario, disembogue themselves into the Atlantic ocean. The navigation of the river St Lawrence, from its entrance to Quebec, is not so difficult as was represented by the French, for political reasons; ships of the greatest burden can go up to the capital; but with respect to the upper part, from Quebec to Montreal, though there is water enough for vessels not drawing more than eleven feet, yet the navigation is difficult and perplexing; and in tacking from one shore to another, obstructions are frequently met with, and which, according to the Canadians, are often moved from one part of the river to another, by the immense floats of ice that roll up and down the currents at the breaking up of the winters; and as the currents are extremely rapid in most places, vessels should be well provided with sufficient ground-tackle. There are no cataracts between the capital and Montreal, as some writers have advanced, except a strong ripple between Jacques Cartier and Chambaud, called the Rapids of Richlieu, where, at high water, though the channel runs serpentine, there is a sufficient depth for a forty-gun ship. In the navigation from Montreal upwards, frequent interruptions are met with, particularly between that island and lake St Francis; but the others, between the lake and Isle Royale, are more frightful than dangerous. Sloops cannot work higher up than Montreal, nor come farther down from lake Ontario than Isle Royale; but the intermediate difficulties may be surmounted by flat-bottomed boats or canoes. Upon the whole, this is a most valuable river, and, except at its very entrance, free from those fogs so peculiar to the coasts of Nova Scotia, Cape Breton, and Newfoundland.

The lower part of the country, from the mouth of the river St Lawrence, is wild and uncultivated, and on the south side covered with impenetrable woods, mostly of pine and dwarf spruce, with stupendous rocks and barren mountains, which form a most dismal prospect; while the north, for several leagues, is low, marshy, and covered with strong reeds, rushy grass, with close forests appearing at some distance. The first settlement, after clearing the frontiers of Nova Scotia, is St Barnaby, on the south shore, about thirty leagues within the gulph, where the sight is entertained with the prospect of an open, seemingly fertile, civilized country; and the numerous parishes from thence upwards, though some spots are barren, are in general

neral fertile, open, and well cultivated, producing corn, flax, and vegetables, stocked with horned cattle, sheep, swine, poultry, and horses, and exceedingly well watered by innumerable rivers and rivulets, which empty themselves into the river St Lawrence, and are plentifully stored with salmon, eels, and other fish peculiar to these waters. The north shore does not make so promising an appearance; the first settlements being the King's farms at Mal bay, near the river Sequenay, and haven of Tadoussac. Where the lands have undergone cultivation, the soil is kind; but the country east and north-east of these farms, remains in its original state, with lofty and steep banks to the river. The lands on the south side also rise gradually high and steep, after passing the woody island of Anticosti, with trees and underwoods on the sides of the declivities, and continue so for the most part, on both coasts, all the way upwards. From Mal bay to Cape Tourmente, not less than thirty miles, is mountainous and barren; but then the eye is agreeably surprised with a pleasant settlement, called St Paul's, where, and from which parish upwards, the country is in general clear, fertile, and well improved, in like manner as the lands on the south coast, and intersected by numberless streams and rivers that run into the river St Lawrence. However, neither coast is uniformly fruitful; there are several exceptionable tracts on both sides; and in many parishes small forests are met with, perhaps designedly left for fuel, shelter, or other purposes. The lands on the coasts, from Montreal to lake Francis, are very woody, with a cold and spongy soil; but from this lake to lake Ontario, north and south, the ground is much better, producing variety of excellent timber for ship building, good grass, and little or no underwood. The French had no settlements farther west than the Cedars, about half way between Lake Ontario and Lake St Francis; the country round the former, and on the principal rivers flowing into it, being inhabited by the Iroquois, whose chief employment, when not at war, is hunting and fishing.

This country affords plenty of all domestic animals, so that provisions are remarkably cheap, and they have besides stags, elks, deer, and roebucks, bears, foxes, martins, wildcats, ferrets, weazles, squirrels, hares, rabbits, carcajou, caribou, porcupine, &c. Their birds are eagles two sorts, hawks many kinds, partridges three sorts, snipes, woodcocks, ravens, owls, bats, swallows, larks, sparrows, wild-ducks twenty-two sorts, swans, wild-turkies, moor hens, cranes, teal, wild-geese, bustards, &c. &c. and prodigious flocks of pigeons, which are a bird of passage.

The rivers, pools, and lakes, afford numberless beavers and others, the skins of which is the chief article of their commerce.

The sea, river, and lakes, do not come short of the land in abundance; for here are found, small whales, cod-fish, great and small sword-fish, flatten, sea-cow, sea-wolf three sorts, porpoises, salmon, tunny, shead, lampreys, smelt, sea-eel, makerel,soles, herrings, lencornet, goberque, sturgeon, sea plaice, trout, salmon-trout, turbot, chaquasou, turbot, gilt-head, pilchards, anchovies, achigan, haddock,

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haddock, halibut, pike, perch, sprats, thornback, a particular sort of tench, congar, roach, carp, gulfish, and gudgeons. The shell fish are lobsters, crabs, oysters, cockles, winkles, and muscles.—The natural history of the beaver, sea-cow, sea-wolf, and chaourasou is remarkably curious.

This colony has hitherto raised no staple-commodity to answer any considerable demand. At present their trade with the Indians produces all the returns for the European market, which consist chiefly of the furs of beavers, foxes, and racoons, with deer-skins, and all the branches of the peltry. These, with what corn and timber they send to the West Indies, furnish sufficient to render life easy and agreeable in a plentiful country. But much more might be done to render this extensive colony more beneficial to Great Britain. The fur trade might be carried on to a greater extent, by means of the lakes; from the corn it produces, and from the quality of several trees, great returns might be expected: but the most advantageous would be the fishery, both for cod and whales, with which the coast abounds, and as nature has been so bountiful in giving the harbours of Miramichi, Chaleur, Gaspé, Tadoufac, Chaudière, &c. The mines, if properly worked, might be made a great source of wealth.

MONTREAL.

This city is sixty leagues above Quebec, on the river St Laurence. It is situated on the island of Montreal, which is six leagues and a half in length from east to west, and near three leagues over in the broadest part, and was formerly called Ville Marie. This is the second place in Canada for extent, buildings, and strength, and besides possessing the advantage of a less rigorous climate, for delightfulness of situation, is infinitely preferable to Quebec. It stands on the side of a hill, sloping down to the south, with many agreeable villas upon it, which, with the island of St Helen, and the river, (which is here about two miles broad, form a most charming landscape. Though the city is not very broad from north to south, it covers a great length of ground from east to west, and is nearly as large and populous as Quebec. The streets are regular, forming an oblong square; the houses well built, and in particular the public buildings, which far exceed those of the capital in beauty and commodiousness; the residence of the Knights Hospitallers being extremely magnificent. There are several gardens within the walls, in which, however, the proprietors have consulted use, more than elegance; particularly those of the Sisters of the Congregation, the Nunnery Hospital, the Recollets, jettuits Seminary, and Governor. Besides these, there are many other gardens and beautiful plantations without the gates; as the garden of the General Hospital, and the improvements of Mr Linier, which exceed all the rest, and are at an agreeable distance

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on the north side of the town. The three churches and religious houses are plain, and contain no paintings, nor any thing remarkably curious, but carry the appearance of the utmost neatness and simplicity. The city has six or seven gates, large and small; but its fortifications are mean and inconsiderable, being encompassed by a slight wall of masonry, sufficient only to overawe or prevent a surprise from the numerous tribes of Indians with whom they are surrounded, and who resorted in vast bodies to the annual fair held here, which continued from the beginning of June till the latter end of August, when many solemnities were observed, and the Governor assisted, and guards were placed to preserve good order, in such a concourse of different savage nations, all of whom are extremely fond of spirituous liquors, and, when drunk, commit great excesses. The fortifications were by no means capable of sustaining a regular attack; and though the garrison in 1760 consisted of eight battalions of regular troops, a numerous militia, and a great body of savages, M. Vaudreuil, and Chevalier de Levis submitted without firing a gun. There are no guns mounted on the wall, only a dry ditch surrounds it, about seven feet deep, encompassed with a regular glacis. On the inside of the town is a cavalier, on an artificial eminence, with a parapet of logs or squared timbers, and six or eight guns, called the citadel. Such is the strength of Montreal, the number of whose inhabitants may be between five and six thousand, extremely gay and well dressed. By the situation of the place, the inhabitants are extremely well supplied with all kinds of river fish, some of which are unknown to Europeans, being peculiar to the lakes and rivers of this country. They have likewise plenty of black cattle, horses, hogs, and poultry. The neighbouring shores supply them with a great variety of game in the different seasons, and the island abounds with well tasted soft springs, which form a multitude of pleasant rivulets.

The soil of the island is exceedingly rich and good, producing all kinds of European fruits and vegetables in great abundance, with variety of garden fruits. The south side is the most inhabited, of course best cultivated. And besides the settlements, which are numerous, the island is adorned with villas, for the retirement of the more wealthy merchants during the summer season. No Indians are settled here; nor are they fond of settling on islands, from an hereditary distrust, lest they should be cut off by the Europeans. Since this place has been in the possession of England, it has suffered much by fires, the houses being mostly built of wood.

The city now drives a considerable trade in furs, &c. Vessels of two hundred tons can come up to the city.

When all Canada was ceded to Great Britain by France, by the treaty of peace in 1762, his Majesty was pleased, the 7th of October 1763, to form the greatest part of its former territory, and some additions from his other provinces, into one government, under the name of the government of Quebec, and is bounded as follows:

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TROIS RIVIERES.

On the north shore of the river St Lawrence, about mid-way between the capital and Montreal, is Trois Rivières. It is situated in a most agreeable manner, being built on a sandy declivity; but the whole extent of the barren ground is no more than that which will be just sufficient to contain the place when it becomes tolerably large, which is not its case at present. Excepting this single disadvantage, it is surrounded with every thing that can render a city delightful and opulent. A river half a league in breadth runs close under it. Beyond that you have a prospect of a most beautiful country, the fields of which are extremely fertile and well cultivated. A little below, on the same side with the town, the river St Lawrence receives into it a very fine river, divided into three branches, from whence it takes the name of Trois Rivières.

The town does not contain above seven or eight hundred inhabitants; but from its situation for trade with the Indians, and if the mines in its neighbourhood were wrought to advantage, it would soon become a very considerable place; but though it was, and always has been a seat of a government of the same name since the first planting of Canada, it is no more than a straggling village.

FORT LEVIS, or LA GALETTE.

Fort Levis, built on Isle Royale, a small island in the river St Lawrence, forty-four miles from Lake Ontario, and eighty-two from Montreal. All round the island, except at two places, twenty yards wide each, for boats, is a strong abattis of branches of trees, running near twenty feet into the river. Within this is a covered way. The fort itself is built of logs, fascines, and earth, irregular, but well calculated for commanding the navigation of the river: it is surrounded by a ditch, partly wet, which has a stockade in the middle, running all round the fort.

BAY DE CHALEUR, or the BAY OF HEAT,

A very considerable Bay or Frith in the Gulph of St Lawrence, on the coast of Nova Scotia, called by the French Acadia, and was in the division of Gaspée. Although on our territory, the French had erected a very considerable settlement here, from which they carried on a very advantageous fishery. From the great depth of the bay, the place was scarcely known; but the succours the French ministry destined for the relief of Canada in 1760, arriving in the river St Lawrence after Lord Colvill with his squadron had entered it, these ships were constrained to put into this bay, where they were discovered by some Indians, who gave intelligence of them to Governor Whitmore at Louisburg, where Commodore Byron then was with a squadron of King's ships. From the novelty of the sight the Indians magnified them into ships of the line, which induced Captain Byron to go in search of them; and he effectually destroyed the frigates and store-ships and settlement, as hath already been related in our Journal for 1760. This bay now divides the governments of Quebec and Nova Scotia, the north shore being in the former, and the south in the latter.

Articles of Capitulation between his Excellency General Amherst, commander in chief of his Britannic Majesty's troops and forces in North America, and his Excellency the Marquis de Vaudreuil, Grand Croix of the royal and military order of St Lewis, Governor and Lieutenant-General for the King in Canada.

ARTICLE 1. Twenty four hours after the signing of the present capitulation, the English General shall cause the troops of his Britannic Majesty to take possession of the gates of the town of Montreal, and the English garrison shall not come into the place till after the French troops shall have evacuated it.

ANS. The whole garrison of Montreal must lay down their arms, and shall not serve during the present war. Immediately after the signing of the present capitulation, the King's troops shall take possession of the gates, and shall post the guards necessary to preserve good order in the town.

ART. 2. The troops, and the militia, who are in garrison in the town of Montreal, shall go out by the gate of with all the honours of war, six pieces of cannon, and one mortar, which shall be put on board the vessel where the Marquis de Vaudreuil shall embark, with ten rounds for each piece.

ANS. The same shall be granted to the garrison of Trois Rivières, as to the honours of war.

ART. 3. The troops and militia who are in garrison in the fort of Jacques Cartier, and in the island of St Helen, and other forts, shall be treated in the same manner, and shall have the same honours; and

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Ans. All these troops are not to serve during the present war, and shall likewise lay down their arms. The rest is granted.

ART. 4. The militia, after being come out of the above towns, forts, and posts, shall return to their homes, without being molested, on any pretence whatever, on account of their having carried arms.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 5. The troops who keep the field, shall raise their camp, and march, drums beating, with their arms, baggage, and artillery, to join the garrison of Montreal, and shall be treated in every respect the same.

Ans. These troops, as well as the others, must lay down their arms.

ART. 6. The subjects of his Britannic Majesty, and of his Most Christian Majesty, soldiers, militia, or seamen, who shall have deserted or left the service of their sovereign, and carried arms in North America, shall be, on both sides, pardoned for their crime; they shall be, respectively, returned to their country; if not, each shall remain where he is, without being sought after or molested.

Ans. Refused.

ART. 7. The magazines, the artillery, firelocks, sabres, ammunition of war, and in general, every thing that belongs to his Most Christian Majesty, as well in the towns of Montreal and Trois Rivières, as in the forts and posts mentioned in Art. 3 shall be delivered up, according to exact inventories, to the commissaries who shall be appointed to receive the same in the name of his Britannic Majesty. Duplicates of the said inventories shall be given to the Marquis de Vaudreuil.

Ans. This is every thing that can be asked on this article.

ART. 8. The officers, soldiers, militia, seamen, and even the Indians, detained on account of their wounds, or sickness, as well in the hospital as in private houses, shall enjoy the privileges of the cartel, and be treated accordingly.

Ans. The sick and wounded shall be treated the same as our own people.

ART. 9. The English general shall engage to send back to their own homes the Indians and Morisians who make part of his armies, immediately after the signing of the present capitulation. And in the mean time, in order to prevent all disorders on the part of those who may not be gone away, the said general shall give safeguards to such persons as shall desire them, as well in the town as in the country.

Ans. The first part refused. There never have been any cruelties committed by the Indians of our army, and good order shall be preserved.

ART. 10. His Britannic Majesty's general shall be answerable for all disorders on the part of his troops, and shall oblige them to pay the damages they may do, as well in the town as in the country.

Ans. Answered by the preceding article.

ART. 11. The English general shall not oblige the Marquis de Vaudreuil to leave the town of Montreal before the
and no person shall be lodged in his house till he is gone. The Chevalier de Levis, commander of the land-forces, the principal officers and majors of the land-forces and of the colony-troops, the engineers, officers of the artillery, and commissary of war, shall also remain at Montreal to the said day, and shall keep their lodgings there. The same shall be observed with regard to M. Bigot intendant, the commissaries of marines, and writers, whom the said M. Bigot shall have occasion for; and no person shall be lodged at the intendant's house before he shall be gone.

Ans. The Marquis de Vaudreuil, and all these gentlemen, shall be masters of their houses, and shall embark when the King's ships shall be ready to sail for Europe; and all possible conveniencies shall be granted them.

ART. 12. The most convenient vessel that can be found shall be appointed to carry the Marquis de Vaudreuil, by the straightest passage, to the first sea-port in France. The necessary accommodation shall be made for him the Marquis de Vaudreuil, M. de Rigaud, governor of Montreal, and suite of this general. This vessel shall be properly victualled at the expence of his Britannic Majesty; and the Marquis de Vaudreuil shall take with him his papers, without their being examined; and his equipages, plate, baggage, and also those of his suite.

Ans. Granted, except the archives which shall be necessary for the government of the country.

ART. 13. If before or after the embarkation of the Marquis de Vaudreuil, news of peace should arrive, and that, by the treaty of Canada should remain to his most Christian Majesty, the Marquis de Vaudreuil shall return to Quebec or Montreal, every thing shall return to its former state under the dominion of his Most Christian Majesty, and the present capitulation shall become null and of no effect.

Ans. Whatever the King may have done on this subject shall be obeyed.

ART. 14. Two ships shall be appointed to carry to France the Chevalier de Levis, the principal officers, and the staff of the land-forces, the engineers, officers of artillery, and their suite. The vessels shall likewise be victualled, and the necessary accommodations provided in them. The said officers shall take with them their papers, without being examined, and also their equipages and baggage. Such of the said officers as shall be married, shall have liberty to take with them their wives and children, who shall also be victualled.

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officers, of whatever rank they may be, shall faithfully deliver up to us all the charts and plans of the country.

ART. 15. A vessel shall also be appointed for the passage of M. Bigot the intendant, with his suite; in which vessel the proper accommodation shall be made for him, and the persons he shall take with him. He shall likewise embark with him his papers, which shall not be examined, his equipages, plate, and baggage, and those of his suite. This vessel shall also be victualled as before mentioned.

Ans. Granted, with the same reserve as in the preceding article.

ART. 16. The English general shall also order the necessary and most convenient vessels to carry to France M. de Longueuil, governor of Trois Rivières, the staff of the colony, and the commissary of the marine; they shall embark therein their family, servants, baggage, and equipages; and they shall be properly victualled during the passage, at the expence of his Britannic Majesty.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 17. The officers and soldiers, as well of the land-forces as of the colony, and also the marine officers and seamen who are in the colony, shall be likewise embarked for France, and sufficient and convenient vessels shall be appointed for them. The land and sea officers who shall be married, shall take with them their families, and all of them shall have liberty to embark their servants and baggage. As to the soldiers and seamen, those who are married shall take with them their wives and children, and all of them shall embark with their havresacks and baggage. These vessels shall be properly and sufficiently victualled at the expence of his Britannic Majesty.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 18. The officers, soldiers, and all the followers of the troops, who shall have their baggage in the fields, may send for it before they depart, without any hindrance or molestation.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 19. An hospital-ship shall be provided by the English general, for such of the wounded and sick officers, soldiers, and seamen, as shall be in a condition to be carried to France, and shall likewise be victualled at the expence of his Britannic Majesty. It shall be the same with regard to the other wounded and sick officers, soldiers, and sailors, as soon as they shall be recovered. They shall be at liberty to carry with them their wives, children, servants, and baggage; and the said soldiers and sailors shall not be solicited nor forced to enter into the service of his Britannic Majesty.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 20. A commissary and one of the King's writers shall be left to take care of the hospitals, and of whatever may relate to the service of his Most Christian Majesty.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 21. The English general shall also provide ships for carrying to France the officers of the supreme council, of justice, police, admiralty, and all other officers having commissions or brevets from his Most Christian Majesty, for them, their families, servants and equi-

pages, as well as for the other officers; and they shall likewise be victualled at the expence of his Britannic Majesty. They shall, however, be at liberty to stay in the colony if they think proper, to settle their affairs, or to withdraw to France whenever they think fit.

Ans. Granted: but if they have papers relating to the government of the country, they are to be delivered to us.

ART. 22. If there are any military officers whose affairs should require their presence in the colony till next year, they shall have liberty to stay in it, after having obtained the permission of the Marquis de Vaudreuil for that purpose, and without being reputed prisoners of war.

Ans. All those whose private affairs shall require their stay in the country, and who shall the Marquis de Vaudreuil's leave for so doing, shall be allowed to remain till their affairs are settled.

ART. 23. The commissary for the King's provisions shall be at liberty to stay in Canada till next year, in order to be enabled to answer the debts he has contracted in the colony, on account of what he has furnished; but if he should prefer to go to France this year, he shall be obliged to leave, till next year, a person to transact his business. This private person shall preserve, and have liberty to carry off all his papers, without being inspected. His clerks shall have leave to stay in the colony, or to go to France; and in this last case, a passage and subsistence shall be allowed them on board the ships of his Britannic Majesty, for them, their families, and their baggage.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 24. The provisions, and other kind of stores, which shall be found in the magazines of the commissary, as well in the towns of Montreal and of Trois Rivières, as in the country, shall be preserved to him; the said provisions belonging to him, and not to the King; and he shall be at liberty to sell them to the French or English.

Ans. Every thing that is actually in the magazines destined for the use of the troops, is to be delivered to the English commissary, for the King's forces.

ART. 25. A passage to France shall likewise be granted, on board of his Britannic Majesty's ships, as well as victuals, to such officers of the India Company as shall be willing to go thither; and they shall take with them their families, servants, and baggage. The chief agent of the said company, in case he should choose to go to France, shall be allowed to leave such person as he shall think proper till next year, to settle the affairs of the said company, and to recover such sums as are due to them. The said chief agent shall keep possession of all the papers belonging to the said company, and they shall not be liable to inspection.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 26. The said company shall be maintained in the property of the Ecarlatines and Castors which they may have in the town of Montreal; they shall not be touched under any pretence whatever, and the necessary facilities shall be given to the chief agent, to send

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Ans. Granted, with regard to what may belong to the Company, or to private persons; but if his Most Christian Majesty has any share in it, that must become the property of the King.

ART. 27. The free exercise of the Catholic, Apostolic, and Roman religion, shall subsist entire, in such manner that all the states and people of the towns and countries, places and distant posts, shall continue to assemble in the churches, and to frequent the sacraments as heretofore, without being molested in any manner directly or indirectly. These people shall be obliged, by the English government, to pay to the priests the tithes and all the taxes they were used to pay under the government of his Most Christian Majesty.

Ans. Granted, as to the free exercise of their religion. The obligation of paying the tithes to the priests will depend on the King's pleasure.

ART. 28. The chapter, priests, curates, and missionaries, shall continue, with an entire liberty, their exercise and functions of their cures, in the parishes of the towns and countries.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 29. The grand vicars named by the chapter to administer to the diocese during the vacancy of the episcopal see, shall have liberty to dwell in the towns or country parishes, as they shall think proper. They shall at all times be free to visit the different parishes of the diocese with the ordinary ceremonies, and exercise all the jurisdiction they exercised under the French dominion. They shall enjoy the same rights in case of death of the future bishop, of which mention will be made in the following article.

Ans. Granted, except what regards the following article.

ART. 30. If by the treaty of peace, Canada should remain in the power of his Britannic Majesty, his Most Christian Majesty shall continue to name the bishop of the colony, who shall always be of the Roman communion, and under whose authority the people shall exercise the Roman religion.

Ans. Refused.

ART. 31. The bishop shall, in case of need, establish new parishes, and provide for the rebuilding of his cathedral, and his episcopal palace; and in the mean time, he shall have the liberty to dwell in the towns or parishes, as he shall judge proper. He shall be at liberty to visit his diocese with the ordinary ceremonies, and exercise all the jurisdiction which his predecessor exercised under the French dominion, save that an oath of fidelity, or a promise to do nothing contrary to his Britannic Majesty's service, may be required of him.

Ans. This article is comprised under the foregoing.

ART. 32. The communities of nuns shall be preserved in their constitutions and privileges. They shall continue to observe their rules. They shall be exempted from lodging any military, and it shall be forbid to trouble them in their religious exercises, or to enter

ter their monasteries: Safeguards shall even be given them if they desire them.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 33. The preceding article shall likewise be executed with regard to the communities of Jesuits and Recolets, and of the house of the priests of St Sulpice at Montreal These last, and the Jesuits, shall preserve their right to nominate to certain curacies and missions, as heretofore.

Ans. Refused, till the King's pleasure be known.

ART. 34. All the communities, and all the priests, shall preserve their moveables, the property and revenues of the seignories, and other estates which they possess in the colony, of what nature soever they be: and the same estates shall be preserved in their privileges, rights, honours, and exemptions.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 35. If the canons, priests, missionaries, the priests of the seminary of the foreign missions, and of St Sulpice, as well as the Jesuits and the Recolets, chuse to go to France, a passage shall be granted them in his Britannic Majesty's ships: and they shall all have leave to sell, in whole or in part, the estates and moveables which they possess in the colonies, either to the French or to the English, without the least hindrance or obstacle from the British government. They may take with them, or send to France, the produce, of what nature soever it be, of the said goods sold, paying the freight, as mentioned in art. 26. And such of the said priests who chuse to go this year, shall be victualled during the passage at the expence of his Britannic Majesty; and shall take with them their baggage.

Ans. They shall be masters to dispose of their estates, and to send the produce thereof, as well as their persons, and all that belongs to them, to France.

ART. 36. If, by the treaty of peace, Canada remains to his Britannic Majesty, all the French, Canadians, Acadians, merchants, and other persons, who chuse to retire to France, shall have leave so to do from the English general, who shall procure them a passage. And, nevertheless, if, from this time to that decision, any French or Canadian merchants, or other persons, shall desire to go to France, they shall likewise have leave from the English General. Both the one and the other shall take with them their families, servants, and baggage.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 37. The lords of manors, the military and civil officers, the Canadians, as well in the towns as in the country, the French settled or trading in the whole extent in the colony of Canada, and all other persons whatsoever, shall preserve the entire peaceable property and possession of their goods, noble and ignoble, moveable and immovable, merchandises, furs, and other effects, even their ships; they shall not be touched, nor the least damage done to them, on any pretence whatsoever: They shall have liberty to keep, let, or sell them, as well to the French as to the English, to take away the pro-

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duce of them, in bills of exchange, furs, specie, or other returns, whenever they shall judge proper to go to France, paying their freight, as in article 26. : They shall also have the furs which are in the posts above, and which belong to them, and may be on the way to Montreal. And for this purpose they shall have leave to send, this year, or the next, canoes, fitted out to fetch such of the said furs as shall have remained in those posts.

Ans. Granted, as in article 26.

ART. 38. All the people who have left Acadia, and who shall be found in Canada, including the frontiers of Canada on the side of Acadia, shall have the same treatment as the Canadians, and shall enjoy the same privileges.

Ans. The King is to dispose of his ancient subjects : in the mean time they shall enjoy the same privileges as the Canadians.

ART. 39. None of the Canadians, Acadians, or French, who are now in Canada, and on the frontiers of the colony, on the side of Acadia, Detroit, Michilimakinac, and other places and posts of the countries above, the married and unmarried soldiers remaining in Canada, shall be carried or transported into the English colonies, or to Old England, and they shall not be troubled for having carried arms.

Ans. Granted, except with regard to the Canadians.

ART. 40. The savages or Indian allies of his Most Christian Majesty, shall be maintained in the lands they inhabit, if they chuse to remain there ; they shall not be molested on any pretence what oever, for having carried arms, and served his Most Christian Majesty. They shall have, as well as the French, liberty of religion, and shall keep their missionaries. The actual vicars general, and the bishop, when the episcopal see shall be filled, shall have leave to send to them new missionaries, when they shall judge it necessary.

Ans. Granted, except the last article, which has been already refused.

ART. 41. The French, Canadians, and Acadians, of what state and condition soever, who shall remain in the colony, shall not be forced to take arms against his Most Christian Majesty or his allies, directly or indirectly, on any occasion whatsoever : The British government shall only require of them an exact neutrality.

Ans. They become subjects of the King.

ART. 42. The French and Canadians shall continue to be governed according to the custom of Paris, and the laws and usages established for this country, and they shall not be subject to any other imposts than those which were established under the French dominions.

Ans. Answered by the preceding articles, and particularly by the last.

ART. 43. The papers of the government shall remain, without exception, in the power of the Marquis de Vaudreuil, and shall go to France with him : These papers shall not be examined on any pretence whatsoever.

Ans. Granted, with the reserve already made.

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ART. 44. The papers of the intendency of the offices of comptroller of the marine, of the ancient and new treasurers, of the King's magazines, of the office of the revenues, and forges of St Maurice shall remain in the power of M. Bigot, the intendant, and they shall be embarked for France in the same vessel with him: These papers shall not be examined.

Ans. The same as to this article.

ART. 45. The registers, and other papers of the supreme council of Quebec, of the *prevoste*, and admiralty of the said city; those of the royal jurisdictions of Trois Rivières, and of Montreal; those of the Seignurials jurisdictions of the colony; the minutes of the acts of the notaries of the towns and of the countries; and, in general, the acts, and other papers that may serve to prove the estates and fortunes of the citizens, shall remain in the colony, in the rolls of the jurisdictions on which these papers depend.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 46. The inhabitants and merchants shall enjoy all the privileges of trade, under the same favours and conditions granted to the subjects of his Britannic Majesty, as well in the countries above as in the interior of the colony.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 47. The negroes and Panis of both sexes shall remain, in their quality of slaves, in the possession of the French and Canadian to whom they belong; they shall be at liberty to keep them in their service in the colony, or to sell them; and they may also continue to bring them up in the Roman religion.

Ans. Granted; except those who shall have been made prisoners.

ART. 48. The Marquis de Vaudreuil, the general and staff officers of the land forces, the governors and staff-officers of the different places of the colony, the military and civil officers, and all other persons who shall leave the colony, or who are already absent, shall have leave to name and appoint attorneys to act for them, and in their name, in the administration of their effects, moveable and immovable, until the peace. And if, by the treaty between the two crowns, Canada does not return under the French dominion, these officers or other persons, or attorneys for them, shall have leave to sell their manors, houses, and other estates, their moveables, and effects, &c. to carry away, or send to France, the produce, either in bills of exchange, specie, furs, or other returns, as is mentioned in art. 37.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 49. The inhabitants and other persons who shall have suffered any damage in their goods, moveable or immovable, which remained at Quebec, under the faith of the capitulation of that city, may make their representations to the British government, who shall render them due justice, against the person to whom it shall belong.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 50. and last. The present capitulation shall be inviolably executed in all its articles, and *bona fide* on both sides, notwithstanding

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any infraction and any other pretence with regard to the preceding capitulations, and without making use of reprisals.

Ans. Granted.

P. S. ART. 51. The English General shall engage, in case any Indians remain after the surrender of this town, to prevent their coming into the towns; and that they do not in any manner insult the subjects of his Most Christian Majesty.

Ans. Care shall be taken that the Indians do not insult any of the subjects of his Most Christian Majesty.

ART. 52. The troops and other subjects of his Most Christian Majesty who are to go to France, shall be embarked, at latest, fifteen days after the signing of the present capitulation.

Ans. Answered by art. 11.

ART. 53. The troops and other subjects of his Most Christian Majesty who are to go to France, shall remain lodged and incamped in the town of Montreal, and other posts which they now occupy, till they shall be embarked for their departure: passports, however, shall be granted to those who shall want them for the different places of the colony, to take care of their affairs.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 54. All the officers and soldiers of the troops in the service of France who are prisoners in New England, and who were taken in Canada, shall be sent back, as soon as possible, to France, where their ransom or exchange shall be treated of, agreeable to the cartel; and if any of these officers have affairs in Canada, they shall have leave to come there.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 55. As to the officers of the militia, the militia, and the Acadians, who are prisoners in New England, they shall be sent back to their countries.

Done at Montreal, September 8. 1760.

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ART. 55. Granted, except what regards the Acadians.

Done in the Camp before Montreal, September 8. 1760.

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Note 164. A List of his Majesty's Fleet in the Mediterranean, under the command of Vice-Admiral Saunders.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Neptune,	90	770	{ Charles Saunders, Vice-Admiral of the Blue, Capt. Broderick Hartwell.
Sirewsbury,	74	600	
Hercules,	74	600	H. Palliser.
Thunderer,	74	600	J. H. Porter.
Somerfet,	64	480	C. Proby.
Modeste,	64	500	E. Hughes.
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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Anson,	60	420	M. Whitwell.
Dunkirk,	60	420	R. Digby.
Firm,	60	420	J. Fergusson.
Jersey,	60	420	A. Wilkinfon.
Guernsey,	50	350	M. Milbank.
Preston,	50	350	J. Evans.
Ifis,	50	350	Ed. Wheeler.

FRIGATES.

Quebec,	32	220	Hon. J. L. Gower.
Active,	36	240	H. Sawyer.
Shannon,	36	240	C. Meadows.
Pallas,	36	240	M. Clements.
Thetis,	32	220	J. Moutray.
Vestal,	32	220	S. Hood.
Valeur,	26	180	Tim. Edwards.
Kennington,	24	160	Rob. Barber.
Sheernels,	24	160	John Clarke.
Favourite,	18	150	Ph. Pownal.
Cygnnet,	18	150	Hon. C. Napier.
Rainbow,	40	250	Rd Gwynne.
Ambuscade,	40	250	Chr. Bassett. } *

* Came home soon after Admiral Saunders's arrival.

Note 165. A List of his Majesty's Frigates under the command of Captain Elliot, together with a List of the French Squadron under M. Thurot, and a Description of Carricks-fergus, &c.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>	<i>Killed.</i>	<i>Wounded.</i>
Æolus,	32	220	Capt. Elliot,	4	15
Pallas,	36	240	Clements,	1	5
Brilliant,	36	240	Loggie,	0	11
Total,				5	31

List of the Squadron commanded by M. Thurot.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Sailors.</i>	<i>Soldiers.</i>
Le Marechal de Belleisle,	44	226	430
Le Begon *,	36	200	400
Le Blonde,	36	200	200
La Terpsichore,	24	60	170
L'Amaranth *,	24	40	100
Total,	164	726	1300

* Parted company, and escaped to France.

CARRICKFERGUS,

In the county of Antrim, province of Ulster, and kingdom of Ireland. 90 miles north of Dublin, Lat. 54. 45. W. Long. 6. 15 is situated on a bay of its own name; is but a poor town, having little or no trade. It has an old castle on a rock; but not deserving the name of a fortress, as a great part of it is in ruins, and serves chiefly as a magazine for the arms of the militia. Near this town the Duke of Schomberg landed with an army, to reduce Ireland to the obedience of William III. and laid siege to this place; which he took, after four days open trenches. The bay is safe and spacious; the entrance into it is bold, being about five miles broad, having a depth of water from twenty to twelve fathom, which gradually shallows as you approach the town; opposite to which it is only five fathoms deep; and the depth of water decreases along with the breadth of the bay; insomuch, that at the bridge of Belfast there is only eight or nine feet at high water; and the bay does not exceed three quarters of a mile in breadth: so large vessels are obliged to lie at a considerable distance from the town. At Carrickfergus is a pier, to which vessels of small burden can come close, and are left dry at low water.

Note 166. A List of his Majesty's Ships under the command of Admiral Boscawen in the Bay of Quiberon, 1760; together with a List of the Squadron under the command of Rear-Admiral Rodney, off Havre de Grace.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Namur,	90	750	Edw. Boscawen, Admiral of the Blue.
			Capt. Buckle.
Sandwich,	90	750	Fr. Geary, Rear-Admiral of the Blue,
			Capt. R. Norbury.
St George,	90	750	Clark Gayton.
Royal William,	84	750	H. Pigot.
Princess Amelia,	80	750	J. Montagu.
Warpight,	74	600	Sir John Bentley.
Hero,	74	600	Hon. G. Edgewcombe.
Dragon,	74	600	Hon. A. J. Hervey.
Centaur,	74	600	Ar. Forrest.
Mars,	74	600	Ja. Young.
Valiant,	74	600	Hon. A. Keppel.
Swiftsure,	70	520	Sir Thomas Stanhope.
Orford,	66	520	Rich. Spry.
St Florentine,	60	420	W. Trelawny.

FRIGATES.

Brilliant,	36	240	Ja. Loggie.
Venus,	36	240	T. Harrifon.
Juno,	32	220	J. T. Philips.
Æolus,	32	220	J. Elliot.
Niger,	32	220	J. Bentinck.
Coventry,	28	200	R. Carpenter.
Maidstone,	28	200	D. Diggs.
Adventure,	32	220	M. Moore.
Argo,	28	200	Richard King.

A List of his Majesty's Ships employed in the British Channel under the command of Rear-Admiral Rodney.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Nottingham,	60	420	{ Geo. B. Rodney, Rear-Admiral of the Blue. Capt. Marshall.
Twweed,	28	200	
Acteon,	28	200	Pafton.
Alarm,	32	220	Ourry.
Albany,	14	100	Rushworth.
Basilisk,	10	80	Brograve.
Hornet,	14	100	Clarke.
Wasp,	10	80	Johnfton.
Diligence,	10	80	Yates.
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With feveral cutters and armed veffels.

Note 167. A List of his Majesty's Ships which composed the Squadron in Quiberon-bay, and to the westward, under the command of Sir Edward Hawke; together with the little Squadron which he detached under the command of Captain Keppel; as also, the Squadron that was to have escorted the troops from England to Belleisle; and a List of the Land-forces on that expedition; together with a List of the General and Staff Officers.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Royal George,	100	880	{ Sir Ed. Hawke, Admiral of the Blue. Capt. John Campbell.
Union,	90	750	
Duke,	90	750	{ Sir Charles Hardy, Vice-Admiral of the Blue. Capt Evans.
Royal William,	84	750	
Princess Amelia,	80	750	Graves.
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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Newark,	80	750	Capt. Holburne.
Culloden,	74	600	Barker.
Bellona,	74	600	Dennis.
Hero,	74	600	Fortescue.
Magnanime,	74	700	Lord Howe.
Mars,	74	600	Young.
Temeraire,	74	700	Barton.
Torbay,	74	700	Bret.
Burford,	70	520	Gambier.
Chichester,	70	520	Willet.
Orford,	66	520	Spry.
Bedford,	64	520	Lockhart.
Edgar,	64	500	Drake.
Prince Frederick,	64	520	Mapplefsden.
Monmouth,	64	520	Storr.
Revenge,	64	520	Vernon.
St Florentine,	60	420	Trelawney.
Rippon,	60	420	Jekyll.
Windfor,	60	420	Cleveland.

FRIGATES.

Brilliant,	36	240	Loggie.
Venus,	36	240	Harrison.
Juno,	32	220	Philips.
Æolus,	32	220	Elliot.
Niger,	32	220	Bentinck.
Adventure,	32	220	Moore.
Stag,	32	220	Angel.
Aquilon,	28	200	Ogle.
Thames,	32	220	Colby.

Ships under the Hon. Augustus Keppel.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Valliant,	74	600	Hon. A. Keppel.
Portland,	50	350	Capt. Arbuthnot.
Melampe,	36	240	Hotham.

A List of the Squadron that was to have escorted the troops from England to Belleisle.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Valiant,	74	Hon Augustus Keppel, Com- modore.
Royal William,	84	Capt. Adam Duncan.
Dragon,	84	Hugh Pigot.
Temeraire,	74	Hon. A. Hervey.
Swiftsure,	70	Matt Barton.
Effex,	64	Sir Thomas Stanhope.
Lynn,	44	Alexander Schomberg.
Venus,	36	Walter Stirling.
Brilliant,	36	Thomas Harrison.
Stag,	32	James Loggie.
Minerva,	32	Hen. Angel.
Juno,	32	Alexander Hood.
Blast,	8	John P. Towry.
Firedrake,	8	Thomas Willis.
Infernal,	8	James Orrock.
Furnace,	8	James Mackenzie.
Basilisk,	8	James Chaplin.
Vesuvius,	8	John Clarke.
Lightning,	8	James Chadds.
Salamander,	8	Jos. Norwood.

Detachment of Royal Regiment of Artillery,
Col John Crawford,

Lt-Col. Wm Ld Vill. Pulteney,

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APPENDIX.

A List of the General and Staff Officers, and Land forces sent on the Expedition against Belle Isle.

Major-General Kingdley, Commander in Chief of the Land forces.

Colonel

{ John Crawford,

{ Hon William Keppel,

Major-Generals.

Lieutenant-Colonel

{ Robert D Horne Elphinstone,

{ John Reid,

{ Brigadier Generals.

Lieutenant-Colonel Thomas Hall, Adjutant-General.

Lieutenant-Colonel William Draper, Quarter-Master-General.

Regiments.

16th, Light Dragoons,

3d Bat. 1st Reg. of Guards,

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21st, Royal North-British Fusiliers,

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36th,

85th, 1st Bat. Royal Volunteers,

Detachment of Royal Regiment of Artillery,

Colonels.

Lieut.-Col. Burgoyne,

John Lord Viscount Ligonier,

Lieut.-Gen St Clair,

Maj.-Gen Whitmore,

Lieut.-Gen. Handasyde,

Maj.-Gen Lord Geo. Beauchamp,

Maj.-Gen. Wm Earl of Panmure,

Maj.-Gen. John Earl of Loudoun,

Maj.-Gen. Tho Earl of Effingham,

Lieut.-Gen Lord Robert Manners,

Col John Crawford,

Commanding Officers.

Lieut.-Col. Burgoyne,

Col. Keppel,

Lieut.-Col Horne Elphinstone,

Lieut.-Col. Phillips,

Lieut.-Col. Gabbet,

Lieut.-Col. Douglas,

Lieut.-Col. Maxwell,

Lieut.-Col. Jennings,

Lieut.-Col Reid,

Lieut. Col Remington,

Lt.-Col. Wm Ld Vill. Pulteney,

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Note 168. Supplies granted for the Year 1761.

I. *For the Navy, &c.*

	£.	s.	d.
For 70,000 seamen, including 18,355 marines, at L. 4 per man per month, for thirteen months, including the ordnance for sea-service, for 1761,	3,640,000	0	0
For the ordinary of the navy, including half-pay to sea-officers, for 1761,	258,624	7	10
Towards the buildings, rebuildings, and repairs, of his Majesty's ships, for 1761,	200,000	0	0
For completing the works of the hospital for sick and wounded seamen, at Haslar, near Gosport,	7,130	0	0
Towards carrying on the works of the hospital for sick and wounded seamen, building near Plymouth, for 1761,	10,000	0	0
For the charge of transport-service between October 1. 1759 and September 30. 1760, including the expence of victualling his Majesty's land-forces within the said time,	479,035	19	1
Towards paying off and discharging the debt of the navy,	1,000,000	0	0
To enable his Majesty to discharge such exchequer-bills as were made out by virtue of an act passed last session, for discharging navy-debts, and towards naval services, for 1760, and charged upon the first aids to be granted this session; to discharge such bills made out before December 11. 1760,	1,232,000	0	0
— made out since December 10. 1760,	268,000	0	0
	£. 7,094,790	7	0

II. *For the Land-forces, &c.*

For defraying the charge of 64,971 land-forces, including those in Germany, and 4008 invalids, for guards and garrisons, &c. in Great Britain, Guernsey, and Jersey, for 1761,	1,576,985	10	7
For maintaining his Majesty's forces and garrisons in the Plantations, Gibraltar, Guadaloupe, Africa, and the East Indies, and for provisions for the garrisons in Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Gibraltar, Providence, Quebec, Guadaloupe, Senegal, and Goree, for 1761,	843,756	12	9
Carried forward,	£. 2,420,742	3	4

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		£.	s.	d.
	Brought forward,	2,420,742	3	4
s. 4	For defraying the charge of three regiments of foot, on the Irish establishment, serving in North America, for 1761,	22,179	0	0
0 0	For the pay of the general, and general staff-officers, and officers of the hospitals, for his Majesty's land-forces, for 1761,	72,896	14	2
7 10	For defraying the charge of the difference between the pay of Major-General Anstruther's regiment of foot on the British establishment, and the sum paid by Ireland for said regiment, from December 25. 1760, to December 24. 1761, both days inclusive, being 365 days; and of several augmentations to his Majesty's forces, since the estimates for 1761 were presented to parliament, from the respective times of the commencement of their establishment, to December 24. 1761, inclusive,	22,361	11	8
0 0	For defraying the charge of the embodied militia of the several counties in South Britain, and of the Fencible men of Argyleshire, and of Lord Sutherland's battalion of Highlanders, in North Britain, for 122 days, from December 25. 1760, to April 25. 1761, both days inclusive,	140,358	19	4
0 0	For ditto, in addition to the sum in the preceding article, from December 25. 1760, to December 24. 1761, both days inclusive, being 365 days,	298,668	9	10
0 0	Upon account, for defraying the charge of cloathing for the embodied militia, for 1761,	56,568	15	2
7 9	Upon account, towards defraying the charge of the pay of the militia of England when unembodied, and of the cloathing of the part of the said militia now unembodied, for one year, beginning March 25. 1761,	70,000	0	0
0 0	For the charge of the office of ordnance for land-service, for 1761,	302,267	9	2
10 7	For defraying the extraordinary expence of services performed by ditto, and not provided for, in 1760,	426,449	4	9
	For defraying the extraordinary expences of his Majesty's land-forces, and other services incurred, to November 19. 1760, and not provided for,	1,167,903	12	6
12 9	From November 20. 1760 to December 24. following, and not provided for,	993,844	4	4½
3 4	VOL. III. (F) Carried forward, £.	5,994,240	4	3½

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Brought forward,	5,994,240	4	3
Upon account, for the reduced officers of his Majesty's land-forces and marines, for 1761,	34,854	9	2
For allowances to the officers and private gentlemen of the two troops of horse-guards, and regiment of horse, reduced, and to the superannuated gentlemen of the four troops of horse-guards, for 1761,	2,973	19	2
For pensions to the widows of such reduced officers of his Majesty's land-forces and marines, as were married to them before Dec. 25. 1716, for 1761,	1,922	0	0
Upon account, for outpensioners of Chelsea hospital, for 1761,	18,350	2	11
Upon account, to enable his Majesty to give a proper compensation to the respective provinces in North America, for the expences incurred by them in the levying, cloathing, and pay, of the troops raised by them, according as the active vigour and strenuous efforts of the respective provinces shall be thought by his Majesty to merit,	200,000	0	0
Upon account, towards enabling the East-India Company to defray the expences of a military force, in their settlements, to be maintained by them, in lieu of Colonel Adlercron's battalion, withdrawn from thence, and now returned to Ireland,	20,000	0	0
To be employed in maintaining and supporting the fort at Annamaboo, and the other British forts and settlements upon the coast of Africa,	13,000	0	0
Upon account, to enable his Majesty to defray any extraordinary expences of the war, incurred or to be incurred, for the service of the year 1761; and to take all such measures as may be necessary to disappoint or defeat any enterprises or designs of his enemies, and as the exigency of affairs may require,	1,060,000	0	0
	£. 7,285,350	15	0

III. For Foreign Subsidies, Pay to Foreign Troops, &c.

For defraying the charge—of 30,773 men of the troops of Hanover, Wolfenbottle, Saxe-Gotha, and Count of Buckeburg, together with that of general and staff officers, actually employed against the common enemy, in concert with the

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King of Prussia, from December 25. 1760 to December 24. 1761, both days inclusive, to be issued in advance every two months, in like manner as the pay of the Hessian forces now in the service of Great Britain; the said body of troops to be mustered by an English commissary, and the effective state thereof to be ascertained by the signature of the commander in chief of the said forces,

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— of 2120 horse, and 9900 foot, together with the general and staff officers, the officers of the hospital, and officers and others belonging to the train of artillery, the troops of the Landgrave of Hesse-Cassel, in the pay of Great Britain, for 365 days, from December 25. 1760 to December 24. 1761, both days inclusive, together with the subsidy for the said time, pursuant to treaty,

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— of an additional corps of 1576 horse, and 8808 foot, &c. ditto troops in ditto pay, for 365 days, from January 1. 1761 to December 31. 1761, both days inclusive, pursuant to treaty,

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— of 1205 cavalry, and 2208 infantry, the troops of the reigning Duke of Brunswick, in the pay of Great Britain, for 365 days, from December 25. 1760 to December 24. 1761, both days inclusive, together with the subsidy for the said time, pursuant to treaty,

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— of five battalions serving with his Majesty's army in Germany, each battalion consisting of one troop of 101 men, and four companies of foot, of 125 men in each company, with a corps of artillery, for 365 days, from December 25. 1760 to December 24. 1761, both days inclusive,

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Upon account, towards defraying the charges of forage, bread, bread-waggon, train of artillery, and of provisions, wood, straw, &c. and other extraordinary expences and contingencies of his Majesty's combined army under the command of Prince Ferdinand,

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To make good a deficiency in the sum voted last session, for the charge of the troops of Brunswick, to December 24. 1760,

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For discharging the extraordinary expences not provided for, of bread, forage, and fire-wood,

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furnished by the chancery at war of Hanover, in the years 1757 and 1758, to the Hessian and Prussian forces acting in the army in Germany,	336,479	14	15
To enable his Majesty to make good his engagements with the King of Prussia, pursuant to a convention concluded December 12. 1760,	670,000	0	0
Upon account, towards assisting his Majesty to grant a reasonable succour, in money, to the Landgrave of Hesse-Cassel, pursuant to treaty,	120,000	0	0
	£. 3,091,658	19	8½

IV. *For discharging Sums granted by the preceding Session, replacing Sums borrowed from the Sinking Fund, &c.*

To enable his Majesty to discharge the like sum raised in pursuance of an act of last session, and charged upon the first aids to be granted in this session,	1,000,000	0	0
To replace to the sinking fund the like sums paid out of it to make good the deficiencies,—of the duties upon offices and pensions, and upon houses and windows, July 5. 1760, granted by an act 31st George II.	72,011	6	11
—of the duties on malt, July 5. 1760, granted by an act 33d George II.	49,424	0	0
—of the subsidy of poundage upon certain goods imported, and an additional inland duty on coffee and chocolate, January 5. 1760, granted by an act 32d George II.	5,969	12	9
To make good the deficiency of the grants for the service of the year 1760,	89,510	12	11
	£. 1,216,915	12	7

V. *For matters of Police, extraordinary Services, &c.*

Upon account, for supporting and maintaining the settlement of his Majesty's colony of Nova Scotia, for 1761,	10,595	12	9
Upon account, for defraying the charges of the civil establishment of his Majesty's colony of Georgia, from June 24. 1760 to June 24. 1761,	4,057	10	0
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Upon account, towards enabling the governors and guardians of the Foundling hospital to maintain and educate such children as were received into the hospital on or before March 25. 1760, from December 31. 1760 exclusive, to December 31. 1761 inclusive, to be issued without fee or any deduction,	44,197	10	•
For defraying the charges of his Majesty's mints, and the coinage of gold and silver, and thereby to encourage the bringing in of gold and silver to be coined, a revenue not exceeding L. 15,000 per ann. for seven years, from March 1. 1761, and until the end of the first session then next ensuing,	15,000	0	0
To be applied towards the improving, widening, and enlarging the passage over and through London bridge,	15,000	0	0
Upon account, for paying and discharging the debts, and wadset-fums, &c. claimed and sustained on the forfeited estate of Simon Lord Lovat,	38,553	12	1½
Total for matters of police, extraordinary services, &c.	127,404	4	10¼
Total for the navy, &c.	£. 7,094,790	7	0
Total for the land-forces, &c.	7,285,350	15	6¼
Total for foreign subsidies, pay to foreign troops, &c.	3,091,658	19	8½
Total for discharging fums granted by the preceding session, replacing fums borrowed from the sinking fund, &c.	1,216,915	12	7½
Total of the supplies granted for the year 1761,	£. 18,816,119	19	9¼

Note 169. Strong instances of the Court of Spain's partiality to the French.

1. At the port of St. Lucar, about seven leagues from Cadiz, there were eleven sail of English vessels in the harbour, who sailed out with Spanish pilots on board; and at the mouth of that river, between the two necks of land, and in shoal water, they were followed by a French privateer, taken, and brought back. Great application was made by the late Sir Benjamin Keene, our ambassador at the court of Madrid; but to no purpose; they were deemed good prizes, although taken within land.

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2. The next was the affair of the *Antigallican*, and her prize the *Duc de Penthièvre*, and the treatment our ambassador received on that occasion; both left us little room to doubt of the insolence, as well as injustice, of the court of Madrid.

3. His Majesty's ship *Experiment* was chased off the coast of Spain by the *Telemachus* privateer, of near double her force; but by the gallant behaviour of Captain Strachan and his crew, the French were almost cut to pieces; when the *Telemachus* struck. Captain Strachan stood afterwards for the Spanish coast, and sent his boat, with his master and four men, ashore, to land some of the prisoners, and bring him off some necessaries; but the boat was immediately detained, and the officer and crew thrown into prison; the governor alleging that the French ship was an illegal capture, though she came off from the land where she lay at anchor, and pursued, and at first engaged the *Experiment*.

4. About June 1760, the *Saltash* sloop of war chased on shore a French row-boat, a few leagues to the eastward of Almeria Bay; and some time after she took a French row-boat off Mahon, and put a midshipman and fourteen men on board; and some time in the following month, came to an anchor in that bay. The Spaniards detained her, and made the men prisoners; upon which the captain of the *Saltash*, finding his prize not come out, sent his boat, with his master and five men, to know the reason; who, on coming ashore, were threatened by the Spanish soldiers to be fired at, unless they hauled their boat ashore, to a port a quarter of a mile from thence; which they refused to do, insisting, as British subjects, they had a right to a Spanish protection: whereupon they seized the boat's crew, (as well as the prize), and put them in the common prison, where the master was struck and abused by the common soldiers, and all the rest used with great cruelty, and refused the use of pen, ink, and paper. So the *Saltash* was obliged to depart, and leave nineteen men behind. The master of a Catalan bark was sent to prison for carrying a message from one of the prisoners to Gibraltar.

5. On the 4th of April 1761, the *Speedwell* cutter was chased into the harbour of Vigo by the *Achilles*, a French man of war, and there made a prize of by her. Lieutenant James Allen, who commanded her, was tried at Spithead, for losing his Majesty's cutter, and honourably acquitted; but the Court declared their opinion, that she was an illegal prize, and taken contrary to the law of nations.

6. At Cadiz there were many French privateers, manned and fitted out by the Spaniards, built under the windows of the governor's house, where they lay, and, in his sight, when any British vessel sailed out of the harbour, would follow instantly, and bring her in; though, on the contrary, if any French ship should sail out, no English ship of war dared to follow her, or sail out of the harbour in less than twenty-four hours; and the garrison-guns were always ready to protect a French ship.

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7. At one time, at Vigo, there were upwards of thirty French row-boats; in which thirty boats there were not above thirty Frenchmen, one in each boat; the rest of the crews were all Spaniards; and these were fitted out by the Spaniards there and at St Jean de Luz.

8. At Cabaretta, a small town on the Spanish coast in the gut of Gibraltar, where there is a castle and some few guns, there was always a fleet of French row-boats at anchor under these guns, with very few Frenchmen on board, mostly Spaniards and Genoese, and fitted out by Spaniards, who, in a piratical manner, watched and seized all British vessels which passed without convoy, or happened to be becalmed. This was greatly detrimental to our garrison at Gibraltar, as many of those vessels were bound there with provisions.

9. Algaziers, a Spanish port opposite to Gibraltar, was a receptacle and asylum for those piratical French row-boats. A British vessel was brought in there by a French privateer, taken close in with the Spanish shore. Sir Edward Hawke with his fleet then lay in Gibraltar Bay, and sent to the Spanish governor to demand the restoration of that ship; which the governor haughtily refused; but Admiral Hawke, with a true British spirit, sent his boats, manned and armed, to cut out the English ship, so unjustly taken; which they bravely effected from under their batteries, and carried her to Gibraltar. The Spaniards fired all the time, and killed and wounded a hundred and fifty of the British. Of this flagrant violation of their neutrality and law of nations, Lord Trawley, the then governor of Gibraltar, and Sir Edward Hawke, remonstrated in the strongest terms to the court of Madrid, by means of Sir Benjamin Keene, our ambassador there; but to no effect.

10. Nothing shewed the inclination of the court of Madrid more than her conduct during our negotiation for peace this year; for M. Bussy proposed some matters relative to Spain, while he in fact was only envoy from France. Nothing could be more unprecedented or alarming than this proceeding, as it was altogether new, to see a proposal for accommodating disputes that subsisted among friends, coming through the channel of an open and declared enemy; and the more so, as Spain had at the time an ambassador in London. This proceeding as strongly marked the insincerity of France, as it did the partiality of Spain; and as the Spanish minister at the court of London avowed that M. Bussy acted with the authority of the court of Madrid, soon after the negotiation broke off, and Mess. Stanley and Bussy, the respective envoys, were recalled*.

Note 170.

* Of the partiality of Spain to France we have already given striking instances; but to these we beg leave to add the following:

The Admiral Durell privateer of Jersey, commanded by Capt. Thomas Blampied, sailed on a cruize the 6th of June 1761; and on the 23d, being near Cape Finas, chased a snow, which was then about three or four miles from the coast of Spain. During the chase, they saw two or three launches, supposed to be Spaniards, going to the said vessel, who being got on board, and there being very little wind, towed her into shoal water, where she took the ground. The privateer then sent

Note 170. Heads of the Family-Convention of the House of Bourbon.

Verfaillies, December 24. The treaty of friendship and union, which the King concluded with the King of Spain on the 15th of August 1761, under the denomination of a Family-convention, the ratifications of which were exchanged on the 8th of September following, is to be printed; agreeable to the intention of their Majesties: meanwhile it hath been thought proper to publish the following faithful abstract of it.

The preamble sets forth the motives for concluding the treaty, and the objects of it. The motives are, the ties of blood between the two kings, and the sentiments they entertain for each other. The object of it is, to give stability and permanency to those duties which natu-

a boat armed to examine and take possession of the said snow, which had no colours out, nor any body on board, and found her to be the Enterprize of Southampton, bound to Quebec, with a cargo worth about three thousand pounds Sterling, that had been taken by a Bayonne privateer. In the mean time, the Admiral Durell being come up, got the prize off, and took her in tow; but in the night they found that the rudder was broke, which obliged them to put into a Spanish port called Laureia, to repair the damage. Both vessels had English colours out, till the Spaniards came on board, who turned those of the snow Union downwards, and those of the privateer they twisted round the ensign staff. Captain Blampied then went ashore, in order to apply to the British consul at Suchon, a town about two leagues off. When he was gone, all his crew (except a Lieutenant and two boys), were seized by a party of Spanish soldiers, commanded by an officer, beating, abusing, cutting, and wounding the said privateer's crew, tying their hands behind them, and in that manner were conveyed to prison. There they were put, some in the stocks, others in irons, without any reason being alledged to them for such inhumanity. To complete their unhappy situation, they had the news of their captain being found murdered on the road, with his handkerchief round his neck, twisted so hard with a stick, so as to throttle him to death. The lieutenant was then asked if the privateer had a legal commission, which he producing, the crew was set at liberty, and told they might go again on board their privateer, provided the guns were unloaded, and all their powder brought on shore, to which they submitted; and applying to the Spanish Magistrate for the captain's papers and effects, he made answer, from day to day, that they should be restored, as did also the French consul; but they found no manner of truth in their promise or performance. Whereupon the lieutenant having no credit, and his provisions running short, he determined, with the consent of his officers and crew, to sail from thence, which he did on the 4th of July at four o'clock in the morning, leaving the retaken snow in the custody of the Spaniards, who had seized her under that pretence it did not appear to what nation or power she belonged, whether English, Spanish, or French. In their passage from Spain to Jersey, the privateer saw a great many vessels, which they did not chase or examine, for want of their powder, and on their arrival they emitted a declaration to the above effect before the Royal Court of Jersey.

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rally flow from affinity and friendship, and to establish a solemn and lasting monument of that reciprocal interest which ought to be the basis of the desires of the two monarchs, and of the prosperity of their Royal families.

The treaty itself contains twenty-eight articles.

1. Both kings will, for the future, look upon every power as their enemy that becomes the enemy of either.

2. Their Majesties reciprocally guaranty all their dominions, in whatever part of the world they be situated; but they expressly stipulate, that this guaranty shall extend only to those dominions, respectively, of which the two crowns shall be in possession, the moment they are at peace with all the world.

3. The two kings extend their guaranty to the King of the Two Sicilies, and the infant Duke of Parma, on condition that these two princes guaranty the dominions of their Most Christian and Catholic Majesties.

4. Though this mutual inviolable guaranty is to be supported with all the forces of the two kings, their Majesties have thought proper to fix the succours which are to be first furnished.

5. 6. 7. These articles determine the quality and quantity of these first succours, which the power required engages to furnish the power requiring. These succours consist of ships and frigates of war, and of land-forces, both horse and foot. Their number is determined, and the posts and stations to which they are to repair.

8. The war in which France shall be involved in consequence of her engagements by the treaty of Westphalia, or other alliances with the princes and states of Germany and the North, are excepted from the cases in which Spain is bound to furnish succours to France, unless some maritime power take part in those wars, or France be attacked by land in their own country.

9. The potentate requiring may send one or more commissaries, to see whether the potentate required hath assembled the stipulated succours within the limited time.

10. 11. The potentate required shall be at liberty to make only one representation on the use to be made of the succours furnished to the potentate requiring. This, however, is to be understood only of cases where an enterprise is to be carried into immediate execution; and not of ordinary cases, where the power that is to furnish the succours is obliged only to hold them in readiness in that part of his dominions which the power requiring shall appoint.

12. 13. The demand of succours shall be held a sufficient proof, on one hand, of the necessity of receiving them, and, on the other, of the obligation to give them. The furnishing of them shall not, therefore, be evaded under any pretext; and, without entering into any discussion, the stipulated number of ships and land-forces shall, three months after requisition, be considered as belonging to the potentate requiring.

14. 15. The charges of the said ships and troops shall be defrayed by the power to which they are sent; and the power who sends them shall hold

hold ready other ships to replace those which may be lost by accidents of the seas, or of war; and also the necessary recruits and preparations for the land forces.

16. The succours above stipulated shall be considered as the least that either of the two monarchs shall be at liberty to furnish to the other. But as it is their intention, that a war declared against either shall be regarded as personal by the other, they agree, that when they happen to be both engaged in war against the same enemy or enemies, they will wage it jointly with their whole forces; and that, in such cases, they will enter into a particular convention, suited to circumstances, and settle, as well the respective and reciprocal efforts to be made, as their political and military plans of operations, which shall be executed by common consent, and with perfect agreement.

17. 18. The two powers reciprocally and formally engage, not to listen to, nor to make, any proposals of peace to their common enemies, but by mutual consent; and, in time of peace, as well as in time of war, to consider the interests of the allied crown as their own; to compensate their respective losses and advantages, and to act as if the two monarchies formed only one and the same power.

19. 20. The King of Spain contracts for the King of the Two Sicilies; the engagements of this treaty, and promises to cause it to be ratified by that prince; provided that the proportion of the succours to be furnished by his Sicilian Majesty shall be settled in proportion to his power. The three monarchs engaged to support, on all occasions, the dignity and rights of their house, and those of all the princes descended from it.

21. 22. No other power but those of the august house of Bourbon shall be inserted or admitted to accede to the present treaty. Their respective subjects and dominions shall participate in the connection and advantages settled between the sovereigns; and shall not do or undertake any thing contrary to the good understanding subsisting between them.

23. The Droit d'Aubaine shall be abolished in favour of the subjects of their Catholic and Sicilian Majesties, who shall enjoy in France the same privileges as the natives. The French shall likewise be treated in Spain and the Two Sicilies as the natural born subjects of the two monarchies.

24. The subjects of the three sovereigns shall enjoy, in their respective dominions in Europe, the same privileges and exemptions as the natives.

25. Notice shall be given to the powers with whom the three contracting monarchs have already concluded, or shall hereafter conclude treaties of commerce, that the treatment of the French in Spain and the Two Sicilies, of the Spaniards in France and the Two Sicilies, and of the Sicilians in France and Spain, shall not be cited nor serve as precedent; it being the intention of their Most Christian, Catholic and Sicilian Majesties, that no other nation shall participate in the advantages of their respective subjects.

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26. The contracting parties shall reciprocally disclose to each other their alliances and negotiations, especially when they have reference to their common interests; and their ministers, at all the courts of Europe, shall live in the greatest harmony and mutual confidence.

27. This article contains only a stipulation concerning the ceremonial to be observed between the ministers of France and Spain, with regard to precedence at foreign Courts.

28. This contains a promise to ratify the treaty.

Such is, in substance, the treaty in question. No separate or secret article is added to it. The stipulations of it cannot prejudice any other power. The object of the reciprocal guaranty is only those dominions of which the contracting powers shall be in possession at the epoch of a general peace. In short, all the conditions and clauses of this treaty, in which England is neither named, nor even designed, have not the least connection with the origin, the object, or the events of the present war.

The King of Spain, to give a public testimony of the satisfaction he received from the conclusion of this family convention, has created the Duke de Choiseul, who laboured with so much zeal to accomplish this great work, a grandee of Spain, and a knight of the golden fleece.

Note 170. Translation of a Note delivered to the Earl of Egremont by the Count de Fuentes, Dec. 25. 1761.

The Count de Fuentes, the Catholic King's ambassador to his Britannic Majesty, has just received a courier from his court, by whom he is informed, that my Lord Bristol, his Britannic Majesty's ambassador at the Court of Madrid, has said to his Excellency Mr Wall, Minister of State, That he had orders to demand a positive and categorical answer to this question, viz. "If Spain thinks of allying herself with France against England?" and to declare, at the same time, that he should take a refusal to his demand for an aggression, and declaration of war; and that he should, in consequence, be obliged to retire from the Court of Spain. The above Minister of State answered him, That such a step could only be suggested by the spirit of haughtiness and of discord, which, for the misfortune of mankind, still reigns but too much in the British government; that it was in that very moment that the war was declared, and the King's dignity violently attacked; that he might retire how and when he should think proper.

The Count de Fuentes is, in consequence, ordered to leave the Court and the dominions of England; and to declare to the British King, to the English nation, and to the whole universe, That the horrors into which the Spanish and English nations are going to plunge themselves, must be attributed only to the pride, and to the unmeasurable ambition of him who has held the reins of the government, and who appears still to hold them, although by another hand: That if his Catholic Majesty excused himself from answering on the

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treaty in question between his Catholic Majesty and his Most Christian Majesty, which is believed to have been signed the 15th of August, and wherein it is pretended there are conditions relative to England, he had very good reasons: First, the King's dignity required him to manifest his just resentment of the little management, or, to speak more properly, of the insulting manner, with which all the affairs of Spain have been treated during Mr Pitt's administration, who, finding himself convinced of the justice which supported the King in his pretensions, his ordinary and last answer was, That he would not relax in any thing till the tower of London was taken sword in hand.

Besides, his Majesty was much shocked to hear the haughty and imperious tone with which the contents of the treaty were demanded of him. If the respect due to Royal Majesty had been regarded, explanations might have been had without any difficulty: The ministers of Spain might have said frankly to those of England, what the Count de Fuentes, by the King's express order, declares publicly, viz. That the said treaty is only a convention between the family of Bourbon, wherein there is nothing which has the least relation to the present war: That there is in it an article for the mutual guaranty of the dominions of the two sovereigns; but it is specified therein, that that guaranty is not to be understood but of the dominions which shall remain to France after the present war shall be ended: That although his Catholic Majesty might have had reason to think himself offended by the irregular manner in which the memorial was returned to M. Bussy, Minister of France, which he had presented for terminating the differences of Spain and England, at the same time with the war between this last and France; he has however dissembled, and, from an effect of his love of peace, caused a memorial to be delivered to my Lord Bristol, wherein it is evidently demonstrated, that the step of France which put the Minister Pitt into so bad humour, did not at all offend either the laws of neutrality, or the sincerity of the two Sovereigns: That further, from a fresh proof of his pacific spirit, the King of Spain wrote to the King of France, his cousin, that if the union of interest in any manner retarded the peace with England, he consented to separate himself from it, not to put any obstacle to so great a happiness. But it was soon seen, that this was only a pretence on the part of the English minister: for that of France continuing his negotiation without making any mention of Spain, and proposing conditions very advantageous and honourable for England, the Minister Pitt, to the great astonishment of the universe, rejected them with disdain, and shewed at the same time his ill-will against Spain, to the scandal of the same British council; and unfortunately he has succeeded but too far in his pernicious design.

This declaration made the Count de Fuentes desire his Excellency my Lord Egremont to present his most humble respects to his Britannic Majesty, and to obtain for him passports, and all other facilities, for him, his family, and all his retinue, to go out of the dominions of Great Britain without any trouble, and to go by the shortest passage of the sea which separates them from the continent.

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Note 171. Translation of the Answer delivered to the Count de Fuentes by the Earl of Egremont, Dec. 31. 1761.

The Earl of Egremont, his Britannic Majesty's secretary of state, having received from his Excellency the Count de Fuentes, ambassador the Catholic King at the Court of London, a paper, in which, besides the notification of his recall, and the demand of the necessary passports to go out of the King's dominions, he has thought proper to enter into what has just passed between the two Courts, with a view to make that of London appear as the source of all the misfortunes which may ensue from the rupture which has happened: in order that nobody may be misled by the declaration which his Excellency has been pleased to make to the King, to the English nation, and the whole universe; notwithstanding the insinuation, as void of foundation as of decency, of the spirit of haughtiness and of discord, which, his Excellency pretends, reigns in the British government, to the misfortune of mankind; and notwithstanding the irregularity and indecency of appealing to the English nation, as if it could be separated from its King, for whom the most determined sentiments of love, of duty, and of confidence, are engraved in the hearts of all his subjects; the said Earl of Egremont, by his Majesty's order, laying aside, in this answer, all spirit of declamation and of harshness, avoiding every offensive word which might hurt the dignity of sovereigns, without stooping to invectives against private persons, will confine himself to facts with the most scrupulous exactness; and it is from this representation of facts that he appeals to all Europe, and to the whole universe, for the purity of the King's intentions, and for the sincerity of the wishes his Majesty has not ceased to make, as well as for the moderation he has always shewed, though in vain, for the maintenance of friendship and good understanding between the British and Spanish nations.

The King having received undoubted informations, that the court of Madrid had secretly contracted engagements with that of Versailles, which the ministers of France laboured to represent in all the courts of Europe as offensive to Great Britain, and combining these appearances with the step which the court of Spain had, a little time before, taken towards his Majesty, in avowing its consent (though that avowal had been followed by apologies) to the memorial presented the 23d of July, by the Sieur de Bussy, minister-plenipotentiary of the Most Christian King, to the King's secretary of state; and his Majesty having afterwards received intelligence, scarce admitting of a doubt of troops marching, and of military preparations making in all the ports of Spain, judged that his dignity, as well as his prudence, required him to order his ambassador at the court of Madrid, by a dispatch dated the 28th of October, to demand, in terms the most measured however, and the most amicable, a communication of the treaty recently concluded between the courts of Madrid and Versailles,

faillies, or at least of the articles which might relate to the interests of Great Britain; and in order to avoid every thing which could be thought to imply the least slight of the dignity, or even the delicacy of his Catholic Majesty, the Earl of Bristol was authorised to content himself with assurances, in case the Catholic King offered to give any, that the said engagements did not contain any thing that was contrary to the friendship which subsisted between the two crowns, or that was prejudicial to the interests of Great Britain, supposing any difficulty was made of shewing the treaty. The King could not give a less equivocal proof of his dependence on the good faith of the Catholic King, than in shewing him an unbounded confidence in so important an affair, and which so essentially interested his own dignity, the good of his kingdoms, and the happiness of his people.

How great, then, was the King's surprise, when instead of receiving the just satisfaction which he had a right to expect, he learnt from his ambassador, that, having addressed himself to the minister of Spain for that purpose, he could only draw from him a refusal to give a satisfactory answer to his Majesty's just requisition, which he had accompanied with terms that breathed nothing but haughtiness, animosity, and menace; and which seemed so strongly to verify the suspicions of the unamicable disposition of the court of Spain, that nothing less than his Majesty's moderation, and his resolution taken to make all the efforts possible to avoid the misfortunes inseparable from a rupture, could determine him to make a last trial, by giving orders to his ambassador to address himself to the minister of Spain, to desire him to inform him of the intentions of the court of Madrid towards that of Great Britain in this conjuncture, if they had taken engagements, or formed the design to join the King's enemies in the present war, or to depart in any manner from the neutrality they had hitherto observed; and to make that minister sensible, that if they persisted in refusing all satisfaction on demands so just, so necessary, and so interesting, the King could not but consider such a refusal as the most authentic avowal, that Spain had taken her part, and that there only remained for his Majesty to take the measures which his royal prudence should dictate, for the honour and dignity of his crown, and for the prosperity and protection of his people; and to recall his ambassador.

Unhappily for the public tranquillity, for the interest of the two nations, and for the good of mankind, this last step was as fruitless as the preceding ones; the Spanish minister, keeping no further measures, answered drily, "That it was in that very moment that the war was declared, and the King's dignity attacked; and that the Earl of Bristol might retire how and when he should think proper."

And in order to set in its true light the declaration, "That in the respect due to his Catholic Majesty had been regarded, explanations might have been had without any difficulty; and that the ministers of Spain might have said frankly, as Monsieur de Fuentes, by the King's express order, declares publicly, that the said treaty is

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only a convention between the family of Bourbon, wherein there is nothing which has the least relation to the present war; and that the guaranty which is therein specified, is not to be understood but of the dominions which shall remain to France after the war:" It is declared, that very far from thinking of being wanting to the respect acknowledged to be due to crowned heads, the instructions given to the Earl of Bristol have always been, to make the requisitions on the subject of the engagements between the courts of Madrid and Versailles, with all the decency, and all the attention possible; and the demand of a categorical answer was not made, till after repeated, and most stinging refusals to give the least satisfaction, and at the last extremity; therefore, if the court of Spain ever had the design to give this so necessary satisfaction, they had not the least reason that ought to have engaged them to defer it to the moment when it could no longer be of use. But, fortunately, the terms in which the declaration is conceived, spare us the regret of not having received it sooner; for it appears at the first sight, that the answer is not at all conformable to the demand.

We wanted to be informed, "If the court of Spain intended to join the French, our enemies, to make war on Great Britain, or to depart from their neutrality?" whereas the answer concerns one treaty only, which is said to be on the 15th of August, carefully avoiding to say the least word that could explain, in any manner, the intentions of Spain towards Great Britain, or the further engagements they may have contracted on the present crisis.

After a deduction, as exact as faithful, of what has passed between the two courts, it is left to the impartial public to decide, which of the two has always been inclined to peace, and which was determined on war.

As to the rest, the Earl of Egremont has the honour to acquaint his Excellency the Count de Fuentes, by the King's order, that the necessary passports for him shall be expedited, and that they will not fail to procure him all possible facilities for his passage to that port which he shall think most convenient.

Note 172. The Earl of Bristol's Correspondence with his Majesty's Ministers, relative to the Rupture with Spain.

These papers contain a series of the most material transactions between the two courts, from the time that M. Buffu presented the memorial in the name of his Catholic Majesty, to that when the Earl of Bristol left the court of Madrid, and war was declared with Spain.

They begin with a letter of instructions from Mr Pitt to the Earl of Bristol on that unlooked-for event, in which the secretary remarks, that the engagements between the crowns of France and Spain were, by the French minister, avowed to be previous to the overtures of peace by France, and consequently were from that time as *discreetly* suppressed as they were in the moment *insolently* produced: That the

the memorial relative to the disputes between England and Spain was so offensive, that the King's servants were unanimously of opinion utterly to reject it: That nothing could equal the King's surprise and regret at a transaction so unprecedented as that of an attempt to mingle the disputes of a neutral power with the negotiations now carrying on with France; and that, in case the Spanish minister shall avow, that this strange piece has really been authorised by the court of Madrid, then his Excellency is enjoined to remonstrate with *energy* and *firminess* against the unexampled irregularity of such a proceeding on the part of Spain; and to assure M. Wall, that as, on the one hand, his Majesty will by no means add any new facilities, from the consideration of an union of councils, or of present or future conjunctions between France and Spain; so neither, on the other hand, will his Majesty's equity and moderation cease to dispose his Royal mind to the same reasonable terms of accommodation with Spain, as the King, excited by inclination, and determined by system, has, through the course of this negotiation, invariably declared himself ready to embrace.—Then follows the answer to be given to three points in dispute: First, concerning the restitution of prizes made against the flag of Spain, or in violation of the territory of that kingdom; it suffices to say, that the courts here instituted to take cognisance of all matters of such a nature, are always open to the parties who think fit to seek redress in due course of justice; and it is superfluous to observe, that the ministers of his Most Christian Majesty are not a tribunal to which Great Britain allows an appeal.

Next, as to the stale and inadmissible pretensions of the Biscayans and Guipuscoans to fish at Newfoundland, let M. Wall clearly understand, that this is a matter held sacred; and that no concession on the part of his Majesty, so destructive to this true and capital interest of Great Britain, will be made to Spain, however abetted and supported: And it is still hoped, that prudence, as well as justice, will induce that court no longer to expect, as the price of an union which it is at least as much her interest as ours to maintain inviolate, a sacrifice which can never be granted.

These clear and distinct answers being given, Mr Pitt continues his instructions, &c. as follows: After the above memorial, and the intimation therein, little short of a declaration of a war in reversion, and that not at a distance, held out *in terrorem* on the part of France and Spain, M. Wall cannot wonder, that your Excellency is ordered by his Majesty, as you hereby are, to desire again, in this conjuncture, a proper explanation with regard to the naval armaments that have been so long preparing in the various ports of Spain: and his Excellency cannot but himself be sensible how strongly the King is called upon, in the order of things, and from the indispensable motives of what he owes to his Crown and people, to expect that the Court of Madrid will come to some explicit and categorical eclaireissement, with regard to the destination of her fleets, as well as with respect to her dispositions to maintain and cultivate friendship and good correspon-

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Although, in the course of this instruction to your Excellency, I could not, with such an insolent memorial from France before me, but proceed on the supposition, that, insidious as that court is, she could not dare to commit in such a manner the name of his Catholic Majesty, without being authorised thereto; I must not, however, conceal from your Excellency, that 'tis thought possible here that the Court of France, though not wholly unauthorised, may, with her usual artifice in negotiation, have put much exaggeration into this matter; and, in case, upon entering into remonstrance on this affair, you shall perceive a disposition in M. Wall to explain away and disavow the authorisation of Spain to this offensive transaction of France, and to come to a categorical and satisfactory declaration relative to the final intentions of Spain, your Excellency will, with your usual address, adapt yourself to so desirable a circumstance, and will open to the Court of Madrid as handsome a retreat as may be, in case you perceive from the Spanish minister that they sincerely wish to find one, and to remove, by an effectual satisfaction, the unfavourable impressions which this memorial of the Court of France has justly and unavoidably made on the mind of his Majesty.

In this dispatch, which bears date July 28. 1761, was inclosed the memorial already mentioned; Mr Pitt's letter to M. Buffy, when he returned it, with two supplemental memorials *of a most extraordinary nature*, as Mr Pitt expresses it, which the public has not yet seen; the receipt of all which the Earl of Bristol acknowledges, and, in consequence of the instructions contained therein, his Excellency had no less than five conferences with the Spanish minister, in which he had urged all that he had received in commission with great force of argument; the answers to which are as follow:

M. Wall owned, that he had been informed of all that had passed at the Court of London on the subject of the memorial in question, and that in consequence of a proposal made by the Court of Versailles to the King his master, his Majesty had consented to guaranty the intended peace between France and England; and, at the same time, to accept of France's express offer of endeavouring to accommodate the disputes subsisting between England and Spain; but, in assenting to this, his Excellency declared that his Catholic Majesty had no design of offending the British Court, and was not a little surprised that it could be productive of such an effect; that, as to England's declaration of adding no new facilities to Spain, in consideration of any intimation or threatenings whatever, the Catholic King could not but applaud those sentiments in his Majesty, which he felt so strongly within himself; adding, that the Court of London was certainly at liberty to reject any proposals coming from the French ministry, but that the King of Spain no doubt had an equal right to

communicate whatever measures he thought conducive to his interests, to the Most Christian King, his Majesty's friend, ally, and near relation.

M. Wall pursued his discourse, by acquainting the Earl with France's having spontaneously offered, (in case the disputes of Great Britain and Spain should, at any time hereafter, occasion a rupture between the two Courts), to unite her forces with those of Spain, to prevent the English encroachments in America; an offer which the Spanish monarch had received with great cordiality.

General Wall then asked, whether it was possible to be imagined in England, that the Catholic King could seek to provoke the court of London at a time when the British nation was in the most flourishing and most exalted situation it had ever known? Assuring the Earl, on the contrary, that the Catholic King, both before, and at present, esteemed, as well as valued, the frequent professions he had made of his Majesty's desire to adjust our mutual differences amicably; but, he perceived, the terms on which those disputes were sought to be accommodated, occasioned the difficulty. The Catholic King, he said, did not think England would look upon the French ministers as a tribunal to which the court of London would make an appeal, nor meant it as such, when the first article of grievances was conveyed through that channel. As to the second, the claim of the Guipuscoans and Biscayans to fish for bacallao; it was what Spain had always insisted upon, and never receded from by any treaty*: And lastly, concerning England's evacuating all the usurped settlements on the logwood coasts, it had never been offered, but upon such conditions as were inconsistent with the dignity of the Spanish crown to accept; since the court of London would only consent, that, previous to her sending orders to those unjust settlers to remove, the Catholic King should be compelled to make known to the English, in what manner the logwood was to be assured to the King's subjects, notwithstanding the Spanish Monarch had repeatedly given his royal word, a method should be found out for that purpose; and that, till it was adjusted, in what manner Great Britain should enjoy that privilege, the English cutters of logwood should continue, without interruption, or molestation of any kind, to carry on their commerce

* In a paper which M. Wall communicated to the Earl, by way of answer to all the Earl had urged, is the following shrewd remarks on the two last articles: Concerning the liberty of the Biscayners and Guipuscoans to fish for bacallao, an absolute negative, says he, is given to that right by England, though it is well proved: And with respect to evacuating the establishments, it is only offered upon terms inadmissible with the Catholic King's decorum, that, before doing it, he should assure to the English the logwood. Hard proceeding certainly, for one to confess, that he is gone into the house of another to take away his jewels; and to say, "I will go out again, but first you shall engage to give me what I want to take." And still harder, when set in opposition with the bacallao; for the Spaniards want that for their food, as the English want the logwood for their fabrics; yet the English would by force take away the logwood, and hinder by force the Spaniards from taking away the bacallao. One would think that the English themselves ought with reluctance to produce such a pretension.

upon the footing they at present exercise it. His Catholic Majesty only asking, that, for his own royal decorum, the usurped establishments should be relinquished by the English, to prove that good faith we piqued ourselves upon, and to convince Spain, we did not maintain those forcible possessions, as pledges, which sooner or later we imagined would compel the court of Madrid to grant us our own terms, and in the mean time to increase (which the British subjects did daily) the incroachments upon the coasts of Honduras.

With regard to the naval armaments of Spain, the destination of her fleets, and the dispositions of his court to maintain friendship and to cultivate a good correspondence with his Britannic Majesty, M. Wall said, first, as to the naval preparations of Spain, that since the accession of his present Catholic Majesty, including both the ships of the line and frigates, the whole number did not exceed that of twenty; that, 2dly, with regard to their destination, some were frequently passing between Spain and Naples; others were intended to convoy the homeward, or outward bound flotas, assogues, or register ships; and the remainder were to serve as a check upon the Barbary corsairs, and to defend their coasts, or smaller vessels, from insults. And, in relation to the third question, his Catholic Majesty's disposition and professions had invariably been the same, and were ever meant to cement and cultivate the friendship so happily subsisting between the two courts.

For the greater exactness in this business, it was mutually agreed between the Earl of Bristol and M. Wall, to deliver each other in writing the heads of the principal arguments made use of by both, in the frequent conferences they had on this occasion. These papers are inserted; and then follows another letter from the Earl of Bristol, dated Segovia, September 14. in which his Excellency informs Mr Pitt, That the governor of Sanroque had inquired into the behaviour of the inhabitants of Tariffa, and had given such effectual orders respecting their illegal protection of the French row-boats, as would effectually prevent any further remonstrances on that head; that the Spanish minister had complained of some additional works carrying on at Gibraltar, and that he had asked whether Great Britain would seriously entertain any apprehensions of a rupture between the Courts, adding, "That the Catholic King had at no time been more intent on cultivating a good correspondence with his Majesty than at present." This letter did not come to hand till October 5. the day on which Mr Pitt resigned the seals.

In another letter, his Excellency informs Mr Pitt of the safe arrival of the flota, in the bay of Cadiz, on board of which he says there is little more than 330,000 l. upon the Catholic King's account, and this paltry sum, the produce of the royal revenue for two years, owing to want of management in the viceroys and governors, and to the covetousness of the assessors and collectors, who are the principal people concerned in defrauding the King of his dues.

Another letter from his Excellency, dated September 28. exhibits a complaint made by the Spanish Court against the English logwood

cutters, who had begun to fortify themselves at Rio Tinto, or the river Wallis, and about the Laguna Azul; and an intimation from M. Wall, that if those settlers were ordered to withdraw, no kind of molestation whatever should be given to any of the English logwood cutters, either on the coast of Honduras, or the bay of Campeachy, till a convention should be concluded, by which this long contested business should be finally adjusted. M. Wall, the Earl adds, was the more pressing on this occasion, in order to put a stop to the repeated intimations of the French emissaries, who were continually representing to the Court of Spain the indignity of entering into any negotiations with a power, who avowedly withheld from his Catholic Majesty several illegal settlements in his territories. This the Earl seems to wish was complied with, as he has no reason to suspect the sincerity of M. Wall, and as, at the same time that it would silence the clamours of the French party, it would facilitate the Court of Spain's coming to a speedy adjustment with England.

In the next letter, dated Segovia, Oct. 5. his Excellency acknowledges the receipt of a dispatch notifying his Majesty's marriage, &c. In this letter the Earl writes, that M. Wall had expressed his concern that the hopes of peace were now more remote than ever, as Mr Stanley and M. Buffy were soon to return to their respective Courts. He adds, that the prevailing opinion in Spain was, that France had made as great concessions as could be expected; that if Great Britain was so strenuous in favour of the King of Prussia, it was equally laudable in France not to desert the Empress Queen; and that to insist on supporting the former with our whole force, while the latter was only to be assisted with twenty-four thousand men by France, was almost equivalent to the abandoning the house of Austria.

The next letter in this collection is that in which the Earl of Egremont, the new secretary, opens his correspondence with the Earl of Bristol. In this most secret letter, which is dated October 28. his Lordship expresses his Majesty's particular satisfaction at that part of his Excellency's letter of the 14th past, wherein mention is made *that the Catholic King had at no time been more intent on cultivating a good correspondence with his Majesty than at present*; and highly approves the assurances which his Excellency had given M. Wall, that no additional works had been begun at Gibraltar, as upon inquiry his Lordship finds, that no orders had been issued with regard to the fortifications of that place. His Lordship at the same time assures his Excellency, that the friendly intimation of M. Wall, to evacuate the most recent settlements on the coasts of Honduras, was considered by his Majesty as a happy preface of a speedy and amicable conclusion of all disputes subsisting between the two crowns; with this additional declaration on the part of his Majesty, that he continues to have nothing more at heart than to cultivate the most cordial friendship with the Catholic King; trusting, however, to find this disposition reciprocal on the part of Spain. "These being the King's sentiments," says his Lordship, "his Majesty cannot imagine that the court of Spain should think it unreasonable to desire a communication of

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"the treaty acknowledged to have been lately concluded between the courts of Madrid and Versailles," &c. ; adding as a reason, that the honour of his Majesty's crown, and the interest of his people, equally call for an explanation on this head, before he can, consistent with his dignity, proceed in any negotiation with Spain ; because no fair or candid discussion of the rights or differences of the two courts can take place, while Spain, informed as she is of the full extent of all his Majesty's alliances and connections, maintains a suspicious and unfriendly reserve with regard to a treaty recently concluded with his Majesty's declared and inveterate enemy, by whom it is openly and industriously asserted throughout Europe, that the purport thereof is hostile to Great Britain. Lord Egremont, in this letter, does not forget to acquaint the Earl, that, in his first conference with the Count de Fuentes, he had explained this matter fully ; but that this minister had avoided entering into it, and seemed to wish that it might be passed through another channel. He therefore enforces it as the King's pleasure, that his Excellency should use the most pressing instance to Mr. Wall, to obtain such communication as is already mentioned ; but at the same time recommends it to be done in the most polite and friendly terms ; "giving, at the same time, the Spanish minister the strongest assurances, that, this obstacle once removed, his Majesty is most sincerely and cordially disposed to enter into an amicable discussion of other matters in dispute ; little doubting but that a confirmed reciprocal confidence would naturally point out expedients to save the honour of both kings, adjust things to mutual satisfaction, and establish a harmony as permanent as advantageous to both courts."

To the secret and precise instructions contained in this excellent letter, his Lordship adds this most interesting and spirited declaration : That, in order to prevent any perverse impressions, which Mr Pitt's retiring from public business at this juncture might occasion, it is proper that I should assure your Excellency, that the measures of government will suffer no relaxation on that account ; on the contrary, I may venture to promise, that the idea suggested by some malevolent persons at home, and perhaps industriously propagated abroad, of the whole spirit of the war subsiding with him, instead of discouraging, will only tend to animate the present ministry to a more vigorous exertion of their powers, to avoid every possible imputation of indecision or indolence which ignorant prejudice might suggest : and the example of the spirit of the late measures will be a spur to his Majesty's servants to persevere, and to stretch every nerve of this country, towards forcing the enemy to come into a safe, honourable, and, above all, a lasting peace. I further have the pleasure to inform your Excellency, that the most perfect harmony, mutual confidence and unanimity, now reign in his Majesty's councils, with a thorough determination to push the war with such vigour, as will, it is hoped, under the hand of Providence, procure still farther successes to the just cause for which this country drew the sword. The King at the same time

time continues to be disposed, with equal moderation, to put an end to the dreadful calamities of war, the moment the enemy will listen to such terms of peace as shall be consistent with his Majesty's honour, in some degree adequate to the successes of his arms, and calculated, by promising permanency, to preserve mankind from the various distresses and miseries which have been so fatally experienced during the course of this cruel and bloody war.

To this dispatch was added, two letters from his Lordship to his Excellency, both of the same date with the dispatch; the first, *secret* and *confidential*, informing the Earl, for his private direction, that in case he should find insuperable objections to the desired communication, but in lieu thereof the most solemn assurances, upon the Royal word signified in writing, of the innocence of the treaty in question with respect to the King's interests, his Excellency was not totally to reject the alternative, but to take it *ad referendum*, to be transmitted to the British court. The second letter, *separate* and *secret*, enjoined his Excellency to penetrate, as far as he could, his Catholic Majesty's real views, the prevailing temper and sentiments of his principal ministers, the order and regulation of the sea and land forces, the state of public credit and the finances, and the disposition of the court to depart in any manner from the neutrality, by openly or secretly assisting the King's enemies; but, in doing this, to avoid the least mark of offensive diffidence.

In a letter from his Excellency to Mr Pitt, dated October 12. he just mentions his having received a letter from General Parlow at Gibraltar, concerning the works carrying on there, which consisted only in some necessary repairs and conveniences for the garrison, which he had reported to M. Wall, requesting him to acquaint his Catholic Majesty with that very authentic contradiction of what had been maliciously conveyed to his court.

The next paper in this collection is a letter from his Excellency to the Earl of Egremont, dated November 2. in which he informs his Lordship of the haughty language now held by the court of Spain, so different from all the former professions and declarations of the Spanish secretary of state, that his Excellency could not help expressing his uneasiness, by desiring to know whether there were any grounds for the rumour so generally propagated, of an approaching rupture between Great Britain and Spain, grounded upon a treaty said to be lately concluded between the courts of Madrid and Versailles; and, if it were possible, after all that had passed, that such a treaty could be concluded, then he desired to be told of what nature it was, whether offensive, or singly defensive, what were its views, and what its conditions? But, instead of answering directly to these questions, says his Excellency, General Wall began, by declaiming against the conduct of England, as unwarrantable, as his Catholic Majesty never could obtain an answer from the British ministry to any paper sent thither, either by his own ambassador, or his Britannic Majesty's; alledging, that we were intoxicated with our successes, and aimed at ruining the French power, in order more easily to crush that of Spain:

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and, having worked up his anger to a degree his Excellency had never seen before, he added, that since his Catholic Majesty's dominions were to be overwhelmed, he would himself be the first man to advise his master, at least to have them seized with arms in his subjects hands, and not to continue the passive victim he had hitherto been supposed to be in the eyes of the world. When the General's warmth was a little abated, his Excellency mildly renewed his former questions; but, instead of giving any satisfactory answer, he fell again into an uncommon warmth, insisting that we had set the Spanish power at defiance; that we had attacked and plundered their vessels, insulted their coasts, violated our neutrality, encroached upon the territorial jurisdiction of the King's dominions in America, by illegally seizing logwood, erecting fresh settlements in the Bay of Honduras, and had withheld from his subjects the right which they had long enjoyed of fishing upon the banks of Newfoundland for bacallao. He added, that he had indeed given his Royal master hopes that justice would be granted to atone for these repeated grievances, and therefore wanted to know where, when, and how, it was to be expected? His Excellency, notwithstanding this second digression, did not depart from his former question, and at length received for answer, that he [M. Wall] had no orders to acquaint him with any measures but what he had formerly communicated.

Finding no ground to be gained by farther inquiries at this time, his Excellency took his leave, and, after paying his court as usual to his Catholic Majesty, he returned in about an hour, and, under pretence of shewing an attention to General Wall, which he always paid before he sent off a messenger to England, to know if he had any commands thither, he took occasion to renew the former topic of conversation, which was only productive of a repetition of former grievances, with this additional intimation, that the court of France was determined to publish to the world the mortifying terms she had consented to for the sake of peace, and to expose the arbitrary and unreasonable demands of Great Britain, whose unbounded ambition had frustrated his Most Christian Majesty's good intentions, in yielding so much from motives of humanity.

His Excellency thought he had listened sufficiently to all these accusations; and therefore, having recollected himself by a short absence, he begun by answering the charge to all that complicated heap of grievances which the Spanish minister seemed purposely to have thrown out to divert his Excellency from persevering in the pursuit of getting his curiosity gratified; and, after having exposed the weakness of all those specious arguments which the General had made use of, he concluded his discourse with repeating his instances for information concerning the treaty; but the most he could obtain was, That his Catholic Majesty had judged it expedient to renew his family-compact with the Most Christian King."

His Excellency concludes this dispatch with assigning what he thinks the cause of this very different language from the Spanish court, *the safe arrival of all the wealth that was expected from Spanish America;*

America; the progress of the French army in the King's electoral dominions; and the success that has attended the Austrian operations in Silesia; adding, that he had long observed the jealousy of Spain at the British conquests, and was convinced that the consciousness of their naval inferiority was the only motive that inclined them to maintain harmony and friendship with Great Britain.

To this dispatch, which was received November the 14th, the Earl of Egremont returned an answer on the 19th, in which he expresses his Majesty's astonishment at the abrupt and unprovoked transition of the Spanish secretary of state from the most cordial and conciliatory tone of friendly profession, and amicable adjustment, to the most peremptory and haughty style of menace and hostility; and the rather, as the Count de Fuentes had, the very day before his Excellency's dispatches arrived, repeated the strongest assurances of the friendly dispositions of the King his master, and of his steady purpose to maintain the strictest amity with the court of Great Britain. He were, continues his Lordship, both tedious and useless to enter minutely into the answers so obvious to be given to the offensive digressions by which M. Wall determinately evaded giving any satisfaction to your Excellency's most reasonable demand with regard to the treaty lately concluded with France. A few observations will therefore suffice on the order of your dispatch.

As the assertion, That his Catholic Majesty never could obtain an answer from the British ministry to any memorial, or paper, &c. a proposition so notoriously groundless, considering the ample material in your Excellency's hands, scarce deserves a serious answer; and as to the language held relative to the negotiation with France, and our unbounded ambition and thirst of conquest, as it consists of mere abusive assertions, without the least shew of argument, it deserves nothing but plain contradiction.

The intemperate and rash advice which the Spanish minister talks of proposing to the King his master, gives his Majesty the greater concern, as M. Wall cannot but know with what particular delicacy our plans of military operations have been concerted, in order to avoid all hostilities towards objects that might give the least jealousy or umbrage to the Court of Spain. His unjust suggestions must therefore be looked upon as a mere pretext that in case the court of Spain should have meditated hostilities against England, the court of London might appear as the source of all the misfortunes that may ensue from the rupture.

The *vague* declamation, by which the Spanish secretary eluded a second time an answer to the question you so properly persevered in urging, has so unpromising an aspect, as to give the King very little reason to hope for good effects from further patience and forbearance. It is therefore his Majesty's express command, that your Excellency demand of the Spanish secretary of state an immediate, clear, and categorical answer to that question; but, at the same time, that you cannot be too firm and explicit, you will be particularly cautious not to use the least harshness in your manner, or mix any thing in your con-

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To this public letter was added one *most secret*, of the same date, in which his Lordship signifies the King's pleasure to his Excellency, in case he could not succeed agreeable to his instructions, to come from Madrid forthwith, without taking leave, and to repair to Lisbon, where he would find a ship of war ready to receive him; a refusal of the satisfaction on the question demanded, or of disavowing any intentions of taking part with the enemy, being to be looked upon as an aggression on the part of Spain, and as an absolute declaration of war.

Another letter that accompanied these, *separate and secret*, directed his Excellency, *if little or no hopes of succeeding remained*, to take the most secret and expeditious manner of giving immediate notice to Major-General Parflow at Gibraltar, and to all his Majesty's consuls in Spain and Portugal, of the critical situation of our affairs with Spain, and likewise to make the same communication to Sir Charles Saunders; and if *all hopes were at an end*, and his Excellency's departure from Madrid was inevitable, then to send off a letter to Admiral Saunders, and another to Commodore Keppel, acquainting them with this final resolution; and lest his Excellency should have reason to apprehend that the messengers with these letters should be intercepted in the dominions of Spain, he is himself directed to set out immediately for the frontiers of Portugal, and from thence to dispatch duplicates of his letters, &c. leaving a person at Madrid to take care of his private affairs.

The next letter in this collection is dated Escorial, November 9. in which the Earl of Bristol gives an account of the military preparations on the part of Spain, particularly that two men of war were ordered from Cadiz, the one to convoy the assogues, and the other to protect some Dutch transports with ammunition and stores for Carthage and America. Eleven ships of the line, he adds, lie at Ferrol, rigged, manned, and ready to put to sea, with two frigates, one of which is bound to the South Seas, with ball, powder, and implements of war; that two ships of war, with two large barks under convoy, having three thousand five hundred barrels of gunpowder, one thousand five hundred bomb shells, five hundred chests of arms, and a considerable quantity of other warlike stores, were sailed from Barcelona to the West Indies; and that five battalions of different regiments, making in all about three thousand six hundred men, were waiting at Cadiz for final orders to embark for America.

By another letter, dated Madrid, November 16. his Excellency acknowledges the receipt of the secretary's dispatches of the 28th of October; and adds, that the military preparations of Spain are far from slackening; that one thousand five hundred had entered the

town of Ferrol, with a design soon to embark for the West Indies; that a regiment of foot was gone to Majorca, and another had orders to hold itself in readiness to be sent to the same island; and that in the West Indies they had nineteen ships of war, and not fewer than sixteen frigates to attend them.

His Excellency's letter, dated Escorial, December 14. is more important, he having entered minutely into every argument suggested by the British secretary: "And though," says his Excellency, "I dare not flatter myself with having gained any ground upon the Spanish minister, yet I never before observed M Wall listen with greater attention to my discourse. When he answered me, it was without warmth; when he applied to me, it was friendly; and after long reasonings on both sides, we parted with reciprocal protestations to each other of our earnest desire to continue in peace." On this favourable opportunity, his Excellency urged the inseparable connection of interest that unites the two crowns, and which could not fail of soon producing a good effect, notwithstanding the mean artifices of France to sow dissensions with a view to drain the royal coffers, without any real regard to the retentions of Spain.

The next paper in this collection is, the translation of a paper delivered by the Count de Fuentes to the Earl of Egremont, being an answer to a memorial delivered by the Earl of Bristol to the court of Spain. This is followed by a letter from Lord Egremont to his Excellency, dated December 22. disclaiming any knowledge of a seizure, which it was reported in the city that Admiral Holmes had made of some Spanish barks, laden with sugar at Monte Christi, expressing his Majesty's concern upon hearing it, and adding assurances, that if the fact proved true, not a moment should be lost in taking such steps as should satisfy his Catholic Majesty, with regard to the unjustifiable and unauthorized conduct of any of his Majesty's servants upon this occasion, in order to prevent any malicious use which might be made of this unlucky event.

The next letter that follows, is dated Madrid, December 11. 1761, which gives the first account of the Earl's final resolution of leaving the court of Spain, and setting forth the difficulties attending the execution of his Majesty's orders in sending the letters to the proper officers by land and sea for the better security of his Majesty's subjects. He adds, that he was denied post-horses; that he was surrounded with spies; that the roads were almost impassable between Spain and Portugal; that he was himself so ill as to be unable to travel; but that he had tried a method which he does not chuse to mention, to convey the necessary intelligence to Admiral Saunders, General Parflow, and the consuls; and that M. Porter, seeing how ill his Excellency was, had promised to set out for Lisbon, by whom the letters he had then ready should be forwarded.

Having thus given at large the instructions which the Earl of Bristol received from time to time from the Court of Great Britain, relative to his conduct with the Spanish ministry; it remains only to

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What passed at the first conference with the Spanish minister, after his Excellency had received final orders to insist on a categorical answer, or to retire from the Spanish Court, is contained in a letter to Lord Egremont, dated Madrid, Dec. 7 1761, the substance of which is as follows: The messenger Porter, having arrived at Madrid on the 5th, at night, his Excellency the Earl of Bristol acquainted M. Wall, the next morning, that he had received dispatches from England of the last importance; and M. Wall being confined to his room by an accident that had happened to his foot, appointed one o'clock for a conference in his own apartment. At this conference the Earl began by acquainting the Spanish minister with the astonishment and concern which the unprovoked transition in his language, so diametrically opposite to the pleasing assurances he had formerly received, had occasioned at the British Court, and the rather as the Count de Fuentes had but just given the English ministry the strongest assurances of the King his master's steady resolution to maintain the strictest amity with Great Britain; that, notwithstanding these assurances, his Britannic Majesty, equally attentive to his own dignity, and the interest of his subjects, was determined religiously to adhere to all his solemn declarations; that Spain had done injustice to the purity of the King's intentions, since his Majesty had been particularly delicate in causing such military plans to be concerted, as were not, in the least, likely to give umbrage to Spain; and that, in all the Royal Councils, every thing had likewise been avoided that would tend to an interruption of a friendly intelligence between the two Courts. His Excellency proceeded to renew his former inquiries about the treaty lately concluded between the Courts of Madrid and Versailles; and, finally, to ask a categorical answer relative to the intentions of Spain with regard to Great Britain, but with that moderation as could not but express the King's desire to obtain such an answer as might contribute to the continuation of that amicable intercourse which it was equally the interest of both Courts to maintain; adding, however, that this desire did not proceed from any timidity, or apprehension on the King's side, but from the rectitude and humanity of his Royal mind.

It was impossible to listen with more obliging attention than M. Wall did to all his Excellency said; when his Excellency appealed to him on any point, he answered friendly; when he reasoned he reasoned candidly and minutely; and acknowledged the caution that had been observed in attacking those possessions belonging to our enemies that had any connection with the Spanish territory; but concluded, that the copy he delivered to his Excellency of his * dispatch to the Count of Fuentes, (at the British Court), was the only answer he could give about the treaty in question.

His Lordship observes, that at this visit he had only dwelt in general terms on the intentions of Spain towards England; and his moral

* This dispatch was by way of memorial. See p. 69.

tives for acting in this manner were, that he perceived M. Wall's *tone* to be of a conciliating nature, that he flattered himself from thence, that he might obtain the categorical answer he was ordered to demand; that he had observed for some time before, the style of the Spanish ministry to be gradually softening; and that all that sudden wrath and passion which he had discovered, had arisen on the notice of a change which had happened in the English administration, having been occasioned by the measures proposed to be taken against the Spanish Court.

His Excellency proceeds, in his letter of the 9th, to give an account of his second conference with the Spanish minister, on the same subject. At this conference, which was on the 8th of December, the Spanish minister said, he had received his Catholic Majesty's commands, to inform him, that, with regard to the treaty, and the intentions of Spain, M. Wall's dispatch to the Count of Fuentes was the only answer the Catholic King judged it expedient to give. But, at last, having declared frankly that the British Court expected to have a categorical answer to the following questions: Whether the Catholic King intended to join the French, our enemies, or purposed acting hostilely? or would, in any manner, depart from his neutrality? adding, that Spain's refusal of this satisfaction, would be deemed an aggression, and a declaration of war; the surprise of M. Wall is not to be expressed. He only brought out these words, "What is to follow? you have then orders to withdraw from hence?" Being answered in the affirmative, he said, the categorical answer required was such an attack upon the Catholic King's dignity, that it was impossible for him to give advice to his Sovereign upon so delicate a subject; but being pressed, for the sake of humanity, as the ruin of thousands of thousands, and the distress of nations were now depending, not to let any rash or precipitate measure be taken, M. Wall desired, for greater precision, that what the British minister was ordered to demand, might be put into writing; his Excellency therefore wrote down the following short sentences: Whether the Court of Madrid intends to join the French, our enemies, to act hostilely against Great Britain, or to depart, in any manner, from its neutrality? A categorical answer is expected to these questions; otherwise a refusal to comply will be looked upon as aggression on the part of Spain, and a declaration of war." It was not till the 10th of December that his Excellency received the Spanish minister's letter, in which it was said, "That the spirit of haughtiness and of discord, which dictated this inconsiderate step, and which, for the misfortune of mankind, still reigns so much in the British government, is what made, in the same instant, the declaration of war, and attacked the King's dignity. Your Excellency may think of retiring when, and in the manner most convenient to you; which is the only answer that without detaining you, his Majesty has ordered me to give you." With this letter a friendly note of a private nature was inclosed, in which M. Wall hopes for the honour of seeing his Excellency, and of confirming to him, by word of mouth, the esteem and respect

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with which he was his Lordship's obedient servant : but, notwithstanding, when his Lordship, at his departure, applied for post-horses to facilitate his journey out of Spain, an order for that purpose was refused ; spies were every where planted about his house ; and, in short, he found himself so closely guarded, that though he was ill of a fever, he thought it best to risk all, even at the hazard of his life, in order to quit the dominions of that unfriendly monarch. Such was the treatment which the British minister received at the Court of Madrid, when it was no longer in the power of that court to treat under the mask of deceit and treachery. The breach with England had, no doubt, been long determined ; but the time was not yet come when the declaration was to be made. Under the character of friends, they, upon every occasion of dispute, decided in favour of our enemies ; but not yet being in a condition to repel force by force, they chose this notable way of manifesting their intentions, till the preparations they were making should enable them to act without reserve.

The manifesto so often alluded to, which was dispatched by the Spanish ministry to the Count de Fuentes, and by him delivered to the court of London, with the paper delivered by the Earl of Bristol to M. Wall, November 18. which occasioned it, both follow at large, that the reader may judge on which side that spirit of haughtiness is most manifest, with which the Spanish ministry have charged the British councils.

*Translation of a Paper delivered by the Earl of Bristol, November 18.
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The King has learned, with particular satisfaction, the justice of his Catholic Majesty, in giving orders for the restitution of the ship the Speedwell ; and his Majesty is equally sensible of the moderation with which the privateer the King George hath been treated. The Count de Fuentes having given a memorial, complaining of the behaviour of the said privateer, the most exact inquiries are to be immediately begun ; and as soon as the facts are proved, a suitable satisfaction, agreeable to our laws, will be given to the court of Spain.

Having communicated to the secretary of state, in a dispatch of the month of September last, (agreeable to the assurance I had then received), his Catholic Majesty's intentions to cultivate a good correspondence with the King, I have been expressly ordered to testify the King's pleasure which such a declaration of the sentiments of this court has occasioned : and I must not omit to assure, that no order has been sent for augmenting the fortifications of Gibraltar ; consequently they have only been working there on the usual repairs.

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His Majesty having nothing more at heart than to maintain and strengthen the most cordial and the most sincere friendship with the Catholic King, does not doubt of meeting with the same dispositions as his on the part of Spain; for there is nothing more evident than the mutual advantage which must at all times result to the two kingdoms by such a reciprocity.

After this declaration, it is not surprising that the court of London desires and demands of the Spanish ministers a communication of the treaty lately concluded between their Catholic and Most Christian Majesties; or that they would impart the articles which may be thought relative now, or in future, directly or less immediately, to the interests of Great Britain. These instances do not proceed from any disadvantageous suspicion of the assurances of friendship, so often repeated by Spain to the court of London: they only tend to obtain some explanation with regard to the language which the King's enemies have affected to hold, namely, that Spain was on the point of taking part in the present war, by joining France against England. Such are the reports which have made so rapid a progress in all Europe; and the King's honour is concerned in putting a stop to them, as far as the interests of his people require their being contradicted; without which, how can his Majesty persuade himself to enter into a negotiation with Spain, for accommodating the differences which have unhappily subsisted, for so long a time, between the two courts? The Catholic King is informed of all the alliances and engagements of Great Britain; and it would be an unfriendly reserve, at this juncture, not to comply with giving his Majesty this satisfaction on the contents of a treaty, so recently signed with a power actually at war with the King; and especially when France does not cease to give out, that the conditions of this new engagement tend towards hostilities which Spain will very soon manifest against the British nation.

This obstacle once removed, his Majesty is determined, without loss of time, to enter into an amicable discussion of the matters which make the subjects of the dispute of the two crowns; not at all doubting but that they may be easily adjusted; and being convinced, that a reciprocal and extensive confidence will not fail to suggest expedients for saving the dignity and the honour of the two Kings, and for adjusting, to the reciprocal satisfaction of their Majesties, every thing that has, till now, retarded that solid and permanent harmony, which has always been the object, the wishes, the solicitude, and the desires, of those who wish the essential advantages and the true glory of the two monarchs.

In order to prevent every perverse impression which the change that has just happened in the English ministry might occasion, it is necessary to declare, that the most perfect unanimity now reigns in the King's councils; and that it is resolved there to continue the war with all possible vigour. His Majesty, however, only wishing for the moment to put an end to the terrible misfortunes which are the inevitable

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vitable consequences of it, as soon as he shall find his enemies disposed to make peace, on conditions which may correspond to the successes with which Providence has been pleased to bless the King's arms, and which shall at the same time give appearances of a solid and durable peace, after all the miseries which have been suffered during the course of these last years.

Translation of a Paper received by the Lord Egremont from the Count de Fuentes, December 3. 1761, in answer to the foregoing.

Most Excellent Sir,

My Lord Bristol delivered to me, some few days ago, the memorial whereof I send you a copy. In the first paragraph is seen the satisfaction of this court at the King's justice, in causing the English ship the *Speedwell* to be restored, and at the moderation with which the offence of the King George privateer had been chastised; to which there is nothing to reply, only that his Majesty is glad that the ministry acknowledge the uprightness and moderation of his proceedings.

In the second paragraph, my Lord Bristol sets forth, that having wrote in September to his court, the intention he had been assured of by us, in which the King was, of cultivating a good correspondence with the King of Great Britain, he had been ordered to declare the real pleasure such a declaration from us had given. *I do not remember having made it then in a more particular manner than at many other times; nor do I comprehend the motive for their making such a point of it:* however, it is certain, that in the various occasions that have presented themselves, in the lifetime of King Ferdinand, (who is in heaven), as well as of the King our Lord, (whom God save), the Spanish ministers have repeated the wishes of their court to cultivate the best correspondence with that of London. My Lord adds, in the same paragraph, that he can ascertain, that no order has been transmitted for encreasing the fortifications of Gibraltar; which does not surprise the King, as he has given no room for the least mistrust; nor would the contrary surprise him, the English being as much the masters to encrease them, as his Majesty is in any one place of his own.

My Lord Bristol continues, in another paragraph, to express, that there is nothing the King, his master, has so much at heart, as to them a closer and most sincere friendship with the King, our Lord; and that he does not doubt finding the same dispositions on the part of Spain. the mutual advantages that will accrue to both nations therefrom being evident: And all this is in order to come by degrees to what, after such a declaration, was not to surprise us, that his court should desire and ask of the Spanish ministers the communication

nication of the treaty lately concluded between their Catholic and Most Christian Majesties, or the articles that relate to England. Your Excellency knows how easy it would be for the King to give a direct answer; but his own decorum prevents him, from the consideration, that this demand is made as a compulsive condition for commencing a negotiation with Spain, about differences which are confessed to have subsisted so long. Whoever heard speak of commencing a negotiation, would think, that hitherto nothing had been negotiated about our differences; and, besides, would believe that their considering them as worthy of negotiation was doing us a favour. It is a very singular method in that ministry, of misunderstanding so many offices, memorials, and conferences, which have passed for these six years thereupon, and particularly since the King sent your Excellency to that court, proving the incontestible grounds of our complaints and just cares; and repeating, that, without satisfying them, it is impossible to fix the good correspondence of the two monarchies, nor the friendship of the two monarchs, so deserving of each other's love. If all that has been declared by word of mouth, or in writing, the answers and replies that have intervened, the points that have been concluded upon, is not a negotiation, I do not know what is called such.

My Lord Bristol offers, that when the King, our Lord, should declare himself upon the existence or non-existence of the supposed treaty, or upon the articles relating to the English, the King, his master, has determined to enter, without loss of time, into a friendly discussion of the points which occasion our differences; not doubting but that they may be accommodated, and expedients found out, for saving the dignity and honour of the two sovereigns. In this court they must consider only as a mere trifle what they seek after; since, in recompence, they only promise what we are already tired of practising. What greater discussion upon the points of our disputes can be made, than that which has been in so long a negotiation? What expedients can be fallen upon now to save the honour of the two Kings, which in arguments and disputes of six years have not occurred? And if in London they are to be found, *Spain is the creditor for her patience in the pursuit of her complaints, and for having seen the various successes of the war the English were carrying on, whilst she only proposed, without offering to impose, conditions upon that account.* The most noble expedient, and which does the greatest honour to kings, as well as to those who are not so, is, not to withhold the property of another unlawfully, but to restore, and even punish, the usurpers, without minding (if it falls out so) from whom the injured person asks it.

My Lord Bristol concludes with a paragraph entirely foreign to our business, declaring, that a perfect unanimity subsists in the councils of Great Britain; and that the King was resolved to continue the war with all possible vigour, till he had reduced his enemies to a peace adequate to the successes of the English arms, and which might have

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the appearance of being a firm and lasting one. It is not directly our intention to answer thereto; but the two points which the English desire by the peace are contradicted evidently, by what all the world has just seen. All impartial persons can decide, whether the terms offered by the French, and refused by the English, do not bespeak the advantages of the English arms; and their inadmission will be attributed by them to other views, *which ought not to be indifferent to the other maritime powers*, and proprietors of dominions beyond sea. And it must occasion surprise to them, that if the court of London desires a peace that wears the appearance of being firm and lasting, it should pique itself upon that of Paris's insinuating, how necessary it would be to adjust, at the same time, our differences, to cut off all risk of its renewing the war in favour of us.

My Lord Bristol then, by means of another memorial, asked if France had taken that step with the King's consent, in the same manner he now asks us, whether there is such a treaty or not with France? We answer frankly, Yes; proving the regularity of it: And with this motive we reply to the repeated expressions of the court, about desiring a good correspondence with ours, esteeming them at all times, however, thinking it was necessary, effects should have accompanied them; and as if such a memorial had never been given by us, forgetting it entirely, they present us another, with a new question, with the same general expressions, and the unexpected novelty of offering to commence a negotiation so long discussed, and so well digested, that it has been reduced, during your Excellency's embassy, to the last *yes*, or last *no*.

Your Excellency, being thoroughly informed of every thing I have set forth, may tell it, or give it in writing, if it is necessary, to that ministry, in order that, upon no account, it may charge us with leaving my Lord Bristol's memorial unanswered, and that it may acknowledge the impropriety there is, *that the King should satisfy their curiosity at every turn, whilst no satisfaction is given to his just demands*.

Note 174. A List of the General and Staff Officers and Land Forces set to the assistance of the King of Portugal, on Spain declaring War against him in Feb. 1762.

Commander in Chief, General James Lord Tyrawley.

Captain de St Amour,	}	Aides de Camp to ditto.
Lieutenant-Colonel Cooper,		
Captain Cope,		
Lieutenant Colonel Smith,	}	General John Earl of Loudoun.
Second in command,		
Captain Douglas,	}	Aides de Camp to ditto.
Lieutenant Arnot.		

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Major-General Hon. Geo. (now Marquis' Townshend.

Brigadier-
Generals.

{ Colonel Bigoe Arnstrong
— Hamilton Lambart.
— Cadw. Lord Blaney.
— Lord Frederick Cavendish.
Lieutenant Colonel John Burgoyne.

Quarter-Master General, Lieutenant-Colonel Charles O'Hara.

Deputy Ditto ———— Joshua Viscount Allen.

Adjutant-General, ———— John Cofnan.

Deputy Ditto, Major Henry Laws Luttrell.

HOSPITAL.

Physicians,

{ Dr Cadogan.
— Dr Morris.

Director,

Mr William Young.

Surgeons,

{ Mr Maddox.
— Mr Thomkins.

Apothecaries,

{ Mr Smith.
— Mr Hamilton.

Commissary-General of Stores and Provisions, Mr Christopher Bath.

Deputy, ———— Mr Peele.

LAND-FORCES.

Cavalry.

16th Regiment, Light Dragoons,

Commanding Officers.

Major, Hon. Hugh Sommerville.

Infantry.

3d Regiment, or the Buffs,

Major J. Biddulph.

67th, ———

Lieut.-Col. Shirley.

75th, ———

——— Wren.

83d, ———

——— Reddith.

85th, two battalions,

{ 1. Viscount Pulteney.

91st, ———

{ 2. Major Sir Hugh Williams.

92d, ———

Lieut.-Col. Alex. Tennant.

——— Sir Ralph Gore.

British Officers who went into the Service of Portugal, with the rank they held there.

Navy.

Captains

{ Joseph Norwood.
— Thomas Lee.
— P. H. Pascal.

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Lieut.-Cols	{	Park Pepper. Francis Maclean.	}	Brigadier Generals.
Majors	{	Edward Smith, 60th foot Charles Lee, 103d — Richard Vaughan, 79th — Rob. Gordon, 21st —	}	Colonels.
Captains	{	W. Keen, 5th — — Webb, 36th — John Macdonnell, 78th —	}	Lt-Colonels.
Lieutenant,		Bethune Lindsay, 75th —		Major.

Note 175. A List of the Fleet in the East Indies, commanded by Rear-Admiral Cornith, 1761.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Norfolk,	74	{ Samuel Cornith, Rear-Admiral of the White, Capt. Richard Kempenfelt.
Lenox,	74	Robert Jocelyn.
Grafton,	68	Hyde Parker.
Elizabeth,	64	{ Richard Tiddeman, Commodore. Capt. Isaac Ourry.
Weymouth,	60	Richard Collins.
York,	60	Henry Cowell.
Panther,	60	Philip Affleck.
America,	60	Samuel Pitchford.
Medway,	60	J. B. Tinker.
Falmouth,	50	William Brereton.
Chatham,	54	Thomas Lynn.
South-Sea Castle,	40	W. Newfome.
Seahorse,	24	Cha. Cath. Grant.
Seaford,	20	J. Peighin.

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Note 176. A List of his Majesty's Ships at the Leeward Islands, under the command of Commodore Sir James Douglas, together with the Ships of War who convoyed a Body of Troops from North America, commanded by Lord Rollo.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Dublin,	74	600	{ Sir James Douglas, Commodore. Capt. Gascoigne.
Culloden,	74	600	
Temple,	70	520	Barker.
Raisonable,	64	500	O'Brien.
Belliqueux,	64	500	Shuldham.
Bienfaisant,	64	500	Saumarez.
Stirling Castle *,	64	520	Balfour.
Montague,	60	420	Everitt.
Norwich,	50	350	Parry.
Falkland *,	50	350	McCleverty.
Sutherland *,	50	350	Drake.
Rocheester,	50	350	Legge.
			Burnet.
FRIGATES.			
Danae,	40	250	H. Martin.
Penzance *,	40	250	Boyd.
Echo,	32	220	Laforey.
Repulse *,	32	220	Allen.
Stag,	32	220	Angel.
Crescent,	28	200	Collingwood.
Lizard *,	28	200	Doake.
Levant,	28	200	Tucker.
Nightingale,	24	160	Campbell.
Fowey,	24	160	Meade.
Greyhound,	24	160	Francis.
Rose,	24	160	Banks.
Arundel,	24	160	Innes.
Virgin,	12	100	J. Brisbane.
Antigua,	12	100	N. P. Nott.
Barbadoes,	12	100	Stair Douglas.

The ships marked * escorted Lord Rollo and the troops from North America.

DOMINICO ISLAND,

One of the Carribbee islands, lies half way between Guadaloupe and Martinico, in Lat. 15 deg. 20 min. N. and W. Long. 61 deg. 34 min. is about thirty miles in length, and about half that number in breadth; and, being nearly of a rectangular form, and not intersected by deep bays, contains more ground in proportion to its circumference than most of the other islands. It was discovered by Columbus.

Columbus on a Sunday; whence its name. It is divided, like all the Caribbee islands, into *Basse-Terre* and *Capes Terre*, the former being the leeward, and the latter the windward part of the island. The country has a mountainous appearance, especially towards the sea; but the declivities are commonly gentle; so that the cultivation is not difficult; and the soil being a deep black mould, of exceeding fertility, it largely and speedily rewards the toil of the planter. The island is very woody; but many of the trees are very valuable. In the interior parts, there are many rich and fine vallies, and several spacious plains. The climate is reputed to be very wholesome, and the island is watered by above thirty rivers, some of which are of considerable magnitude, the rest very commodious for plantations, and abounding in fish. Toward the windward and rugged part of the island, are the remains of the once numerous natives of these islands, the Caribbs: they are supposed to be about two thousand in number, and have a good many negro slaves, that have escaped from the other islands, and taken shelter amongst them. They have peculiar manners, laws, and customs of their own. As they conversed only with the French, they had a dislike to the English; but have given the planters no disturbance since the island was taken. This island, although declared neutral at the peace of *Aix-la-Chapelle*, 1748, was French to all intents and purposes: they appointed the governor; and the produce of the island was either exported to France, or French colonies. It bears, in great plenty, all the woods which are common in the West Indies; and produces what are called ground-provisions in great abundance, such as bananas, potatoes, and manioc, of which cassada is made, which serves as bread to the negroes, and even to many of the Europeans. The pine-apples of this island are said to excel most others in size and flavour. There are some black cattle, and wild and tame hogs; as likewise all sorts of fowl are extremely plenty here. The island likewise produces coffee, cotton, maize, mullet, &c. The French would never permit sugar-canes to be planted; but since it has been in the hands of the English, sugar-canes have been found to thrive exceedingly well.

Properly speaking, here are no harbours, but several commodious bays, and good anchorage. The only town in the island, before it was taken, was *Rosseau*, on the leeward part; and here the governor resided. The town was not very large; but it was fortified with several batteries to defend the road; and here Lord Rollo landed when he attacked and took the island. But the best bay is *Prince Rupert's* bay, on the leeward part of the island likewise. It received its name from the famous *Prince Rupert* having anchored here. It is spacious and deep, and capable of containing the royal navy of Great Britain. It is sheltered from the wind by very high mountains: near the shore, it has a depth of seven fathom water; and a little farther out, from seven to twenty, thirty, forty, fifty, and a hundred. In fact, our fleets destined for the West Indies generally come to an anchor in this bay, for the sake of supplying themselves with wood and water; for which no place can be better situated, or have greater plenty. This

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was the case in 1741, when the fleet and forces destined against Carthage, under Sir Chaloner Ogle and Lord Cathcart, put in here. His Lordship was unfortunately seized with a dysentery, which carried him off, to the great loss of the nation. A fine town and fort are building in this bay, and the country clearing very fast. It is now made the seat of government; and by an act of parliament, about six years ago, was declared a free port, under certain restrictions. Some valuable mines are said to be in the mountains; but of this there is no certain account. On the whole, this island is a very important acquisition to Great Britain, whether we consider it on account of itself, or its situation. The vast quantities which, when fully settled, it will produce, of sugar, rum, cotton, coffee, and other valuable West-India commodities, and the manufactures, and other goods, which it will take in return, must be a great improvement to the riches, trade, and navigation of the mother-country. Then, by its situation, lying in the centre of the French islands, in case of a rupture with that crown, it will be of infinite advantage to Britain, by enabling her to stop all intercourse between them, and greatly interrupting their commerce with France. This island, with St Vincent and Tobago, were sold in lots, by commissioners appointed for that purpose, for the benefit of the public. This island was originally a member of the government of Grenada; but it has lately been made a separate government, very judiciously in our opinion, both on account of its own importance, which is daily increasing, and its remote situation from all the other islands in the Grenada district.

Note 177. A List of his Majesty's Ships on the Jamaica Station, under the command of Rear-Admiral Holmes, 1761.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Cambridge,	80	750	{ Charles Holmes, Rear-Admiral of the White, Capt. Goodfrey.
Centaur,	74	700	
Orford,	66	520	Forrest.
Edgar,	64	500	Arbuthnot.
Pembroke,	60	420	Drake.
Defiance,	60	420	Wheelock.
Hampshire,	50	350	Baird.
Deptford,	50	350	Usher.
Centurion,	50	350	Diggs.
			Galbraith.

FRIGATES.

Renown,	32	220	Mackenzie.
Alarm,	32	220	Rushworth.
Boreas,	28	200	Uvedale.
Trent,	28	200	Lindsay.

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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders</i>
Cerberus,	28	200	Webber.
Huffar,	28	200	Carket.
Glasgow,	24	160	Bickerton.
Lively,	20	160	Maitland.
Merlin,	16	100	R. Carteret.

Note 178. A List of his Majesty's Ships under the command of Com. Lord Colvill, on the North-American Station, 1761.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Northumberland,	70	520	{ Lord Colvill, Commodore. Capt. Bateman.
Devonshire,	66	520	
Stirling Castle,	64	520	Everitt.
Alcide,	64	500	Hankerson.
Intrepid,	60	500	Hale.
Rochester,	50	350	Burnet.
Sutherland,	50	350	Legge.
Falkland,	50	350	Drake.
Norwich,	50	350	M'Cleverty.
Antelope,	50	350	T. Graves.
Penzance,	40	250	J. Boyd.
Dover,	40	250	Hon. Ph. T. Percival.
Repulse,	32	220	Allen.
Lizard,	32	220	Doake.
Greyhound,	24	160	Francis.
Dolphin,	24	160	Keeler.
Porcupine,	16	100	Harmood.
Racehorse.	16	100	Mackartney.

Those marked *a* convoyed the troops under Lord Rollo to the West Indies.

Those marked *b* convoyed the troops under Major-General Monckton to the West Indies.

Those marked *c* protected the Newfoundland trade.

Those marked *d* protected the trade to South Carolina.

Note 179. A List of the King's Ships in the Mediterranean, under the command of Vice-Admiral Saunders.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Neptune,	90	{ Charles Saunders, Vice-Admiral of the Blue. Capt. Hartwell.
Shrewsbury,	74	
Hercules,	74	H Palliser.
		J. H. Porter.
		Thunderer,

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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Thunderer,	74	C. Proby.
Somerlet,	74	Edw. Hughes.
Modeste,	64	Hon. R. Boyle.
Anson,	60	M. Whitwell
Dunkirk,	60	R. Digby.
Firm,	60	J. Fergusson.
Jersey,	60	And. Wilkinson.
Guernsey,	50	M. Millbank.
Preston,	50	T. Evans.
Isis,	50	Ed. Wheeler.
FRIGATES.		
Pallas,	36	M. Clements.
Shannon,	36	Charles Meadows.
Vesta,	32	Sam. Hood.
Minerva,	32	Alex. Hood.
Sheerness,	24	J. Clerk.
Hynd,	20	P. Cosby.

Note 180. A List of the General and Staff-Officers, and Land-Forces on the Expedition against Belleisle in 1761; together with a List of the Fleet employed in said Service, the Reinforcements sent during the Siege; Terms of Capitulation; Various Returns; and a Description of the Island.

Major-General Studholme Hodgson, Commander in Chief.
Major-General Colonel John Crawford.

Brigadier-Generals,	Colonel William Rufane.
	Lieut.-Col. Hamilton Lambart.
	_____ Guy Carleton.
	_____ Hon. William Howe.
	_____ Robert Douglas.
	_____ Philip Jennings.

Quarter-Master General, Lieutenant-Colonel Lewis Thomas.

Adjutant General, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Tho. Spencer Wilson, Bt.

LAND-FORCES.

<i>Cavalry.</i>	<i>Commanding Officers.</i>	<i>Men.</i>
16th Reg. of Light Drag. 4 troops,	Lt.-Col. Burgoyne,	200
<i>Infantry.</i>		
9th Regiment,	Lt.-Col. R. Phillips,	800
19th _____	_____ R. Douglas,	800
21st _____ Royal N. Brit. Fuz.	_____ Ed. Maxwell,	800
30th _____	_____ Ph. Jennings,	800
67th _____	_____ Tho. Shirley,	800
69th _____	_____ Chr. Teafdale,	800
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<i>Infantry.</i>	<i>Commanding Officers.</i>	<i>No. of Men.</i>
	Brought forward,	5000
5th ——— Royal Vol. 1st Bat. ———	Visc. Pulteney,	700
6th ——— 2 battalions. ———	J. Pomeroy,	1300
60th ——— Light Infantry. ———	Hugh Morgan,	500
67th ——— ———	Major Purcell,	600
68th ——— ———	Lt-Col. Stuart,	600
A detachment of the Royal Artill. ———	Defaguliers,	300
A corps of Marines, ———	Mackenzie,	1000
Total,		10,000

Reinforcement of Troops sent :

3d Reg. the Buffs,	-	Major J. Biddulph,	800
6th,	-	Lt-Col. W. Preston,	800
7th,	-	J. Wren,	800
6th, Royal Volunteers, 2d batt.		Major Sir Hugh Williams,	600
			3,000

*A List of his Majesty's Ships employed in the expedition against the Island of Belleisle, under the command of the Honourable Augustus Keppel, Com-
modore.*

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Valiant,	74	Hon. A. Keppel, Commodore.
Sandwich,	90	Capt. A. Duncan.
Dragon,	74	Rd Norbury.
Temeraire,	74	Hon. A. J. Hervey.
Torbay,	74	M. Barton.
Swiftsure,	70	Wm Brett.
Hampton Court,	64	Sir Tho. Stanhope.
Essex,	64	Carr Scroop.
Prince of Orange,	60	A. Schomberg.
Achilles,	60	S. Wallis.
		Hon. S. Barrington.

FRIGATES.

Lynn,	44	W. Stirling.
Launceston,	44	E. Affleck.
Southampton,	36	H. Antrobus.
Melampe,	36	Wm Hotham.
Adventure,	32	M. Moore.
Acteon,	28	P. H. Ourry.
Flamborough,	24	S. Thompson.
Aldborough,	24	M. Graham.

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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Escort,	14	C. Ellys.
Fly,	10	G. Gayton.
Druid,	8	Ja. Luttrell.

BOMB-KETCHES.

Firedrake,	8	Ja. Orrock.
Infernal,	8	Ja. Mackenzie.
Furnace,	8	J. Chaplen.

FIRE-SHIPS.

Vesuvius,	16	Ja. Chads.
Ætna,	16	M. H. Pascall.

The following ships were sent to reinforce the Fleet under Commandore Keppel, during the siege of Belleisle.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Hiero,	74	600	Capt. Fortescue.
Buckingham,	70	520	Parker.
Burford,	70	520	Gambier.
Chicester,	70	520	Willet.
Monmouth,	64	520	Storr.

They carried out with them anchors and boats for the fleet; flabbottomed boats, and a great quantity of military stores were likewise sent out to the army.

Capitulation for the Citadel of Belleisle, made June 7th 1761.

PRELIMINARY ARTICLE.

The Chevalier de St Croix, brigadier in the King's army, and commander of the citadel of Belleisle, proposes that the place should surrender on the 12th of June, in case no succours arrive before that time: and that, in the meanwhile, no works should be carried on on either side, nor any act of hostility, nor any communication between the English besieging, and the French besieged.

Ans. Refused.

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Ans. Granted; in favour of the gallant defence which the citadel has made, under the orders of the Chevalier de St Croix.

ART. 2. Two covered waggons shall be provided, and the effects which they carry shall be deposited in two covered boats, which are not to be visited.

Ans. The covered waggons are refused; but care shall be taken to transport all the baggage to the continent by the shortest way.

ART. 3. Vessels shall be furnished for carrying the French troops by the shortest way into the nearest ports of France, by the first fair wind.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 4. The French troops that are to embark, are to be victualled in the same proportion as the troops of his Britannic Majesty; and the same proportion of tonnage is to be allowed to the officers and soldiers which the English troops have.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 5. When the troops shall be embarked, a vessel is to be furnished for the Chevalier de St Croix, brigadier in the King's army, to M. de la Ville the King's lieutenant, to M. de la Garique, colonel of foot, with brevet as commandant in absence of the Chevalier de St Croix, and to the field-officers, including those of the artillery and engineers; as also for the three pieces of cannon, as well as for the soldiers of the Cour Royale, to be transported to Nantz, with their wives, servants, and the baggage which they have in the citadel, which is not to be visited. They are to be victualled in the same proportion as the English officers of the same rank.

Ans. Care shall be taken that all those who are mentioned in this article shall be transported, without loss of time, to Nantz, with their baggage and effects, as well as the three pieces of cannon granted by the first article.

ART. 6. After the expiration of the term mentioned in the first article, a gate of the citadel shall be delivered up to the troops of his Britannic Majesty; at which there shall be kept a French guard of equal number until the King's troops shall march out to embark. Those guards shall be ordered to permit no English soldier to enter, nor no French soldier to go out.

Ans. A gate shall be delivered to the troops of his Britannic Majesty the moment the capitulation is signed; and an equal number of French troops shall occupy the same gate.

ART. 7. A vessel shall be furnished to the commissaries of war, and to the treasurer, in which they may carry their baggage, with their secretaries, clerks, and servants, without being molested or visited. They shall be conducted, as well as the other troops, to the nearest port of France.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 8. Mess. de Taille, captain-general of the Garde Coste, camp-major, two lieutenants of cannoneers of the Garde Coste, and

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and ninety bombardiers, cannoneers, serjeants, and fuzileers, Garden Costes of Belleisle, paid by the King, shall have it in their choice to remain in the island, as well as all the other inhabitants, without being molested, either as to their persons or goods. And if they have a mind to sell their goods, furniture, boats, nets, and, in general, any effects which belong to them, within six months, and to pass over to the continent, they shall not be hindered; but, on the contrary, they shall have proper assistance, and the necessary passports.

Ans. They shall remain in the island under the protection of the King of Great Britain, as the other inhabitants, or shall be transported to the continent, if they please, with the garrison.

ART. 9. M. Sarignon, clerk of the treasury of the French troops, the armourers, bourgeois, cannoneers, the store-keepers, and all the workmen belonging to the engineers, may remain at Belleisle with their families, or go to the continent, with the same privileges as above mentioned.

Ans. Granted. To remain in the island upon the same footing as the other inhabitants, or to be transported with the garrison to the continent, as they think proper.

ART. 10. The Roman Catholic religion shall be exercised in the island, with the same freedom as under a French government. The churches shall be preserved, and the rectors and other priests continued; and in case of death, they shall be replaced by the bishop of Vannes. They shall be maintained in their functions, privileges, immunities, and revenues.

Ans. All the inhabitants without distinction shall enjoy the free exercise of their religion. The other part of this article must necessarily depend on the pleasure of his Britannic Majesty.

ART. 11. The officers and soldiers who are in the hospitals of the town and citadel, shall be treated in the same manner as the garrison, and after their recovery, they shall be furnished with vessels to carry them to France. In the mean while, they shall be supplied with subsistence and remedies till their departure, according to the state which the comptroller and surgeons shall give.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 12. After the term mentioned in the preliminary article is expired, orders shall be given that the commissaries of artillery, engineers, and provisions, shall make an inventory of what shall be found in the King's magazines, out of which bread, wine, and meat shall be furnished the French troops to the moment of their departure.

Ans. They shall be furnished with necessary subsistence till their departure, on the same footing as the troops of his Britannic Majesty.

ART. 13. Major-General Crawford, as well as all the English officers and soldiers who have been made prisoners since the 8th of April 1761, inclusive, shall be set at liberty after the signing of the capitulation, and shall be disengaged from their parole. The French officers of different ranks, volunteers, serjeants, and soldiers, who have been prisoners since the 8th of April, shall also be set at liberty.

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All the above articles shall be executed faithfully on both sides, and such as may be doubtful shall be fairly interpreted.

Ans. Granted.

After the signature, hostages shall be sent on both sides, for the security of the articles of capitulation.

Ans. Granted.

All archives, registers, public papers, and writings, which have any relation to the government of the island, shall be faithfully given up to his Britannic Majesty's commissary: Two days shall be allowed for the evacuation of the citadel; and the transports necessary for the embarkation shall be ready to receive the garrison and their effects. A French officer shall be ordered to deliver up the warlike stores and provisions; and in general, every thing which belongs to his Most Christian Majesty, to an English commissary appointed for that purpose. And an officer shall be ordered to shew us all the mines and fortifications of the place.

S. HODGSON.

A. KEPPEL.

LE CHEVALIER DE ST CROIX.

The Adjutant-General's Returns of the Loss we sustained from the 8th of April to the 7th of June, both inclusive.

	Officers.	Serjeants.	Drummers.	Rank and File.	Total.
Killed,	13	9	2	260	284
Wounded,	21	21	6	450	498
	34	30	8	710	782

Return of the Shot expended during the Siege.

Shells expended.	Carcasses.	Cannon shot.
13 inch, 646	5	32 lib. 506
10 — 1407	17	24 — 785
8½ — 2792	3	12 — 221
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BELLEISLE.

It is the largest of all the European islands belonging to the French King, being between twelve and thirteen leagues in circumference. The

The middle of it lies in the latitude of 47 deg. 20 min. North, and 3 deg. 10 min. to the westward of the meridian of London.

The town of Palais takes its name from a castle belonging to the Marquis de Belleisle in its neighbourhood, which is now converted into a citadel; and the French King keeps a strong garrison in it.

At the mouth of the harbour there is a jetty or pier of cut stone, about thirty feet in breadth, and two hundred in length. There are in the island three harbours; the two first, which are those of Palais and Sauçon, lie on the north and north-west parts of the island, from the point des Poulains to that of Locmaria; the third, called Goulfard, is on the south side. In the two first are the lesser and larger boats employed in the Pilchard fishery, which is the only branch of trade cultivated in the island.

A hundred and fifty boats between two and three tons burthen are here employed every year in fishing pilchards. The fishing begins in the month of June, and commonly ends in that of October. Every boat is provided with masts, sails, helms, and oars, as well as ten or twelve nets, which are commonly twenty-two fathoms in length, and two and a half in breadth, with a sufficient quantity of cork disposed along one of the sides to raise that part of the net to the surface of the water, and a proportional weight of lead to sink the opposite side. They carry so many nets, because the meshes in different nets are of different sizes, and by that means they can always suit their nets to the several sizes of the pilchards. Every boat or sloop has a master, and at least three sailors. They sail from Belleisle early enough to get to one or two leagues distance from shore by break of day, where they find ten or twelve fathom water. There they spread their nets, and throw the proper bait in the water, which falling to the bottom, sets the pilchards in motion, and engages them to rise towards the surface of the sea, on which the fishers are continually throwing this bait to allure them into the net. By this means they catch them in such numbers, that it is no uncommon thing to see a sloop come in with twenty five or thirty thousand pilchards taken at one fishing. Almost all the sloops of the island belong to the merchants residing there, who furnish them completely rigged, and agree with the fishermen that are employed on board. They generally allow a master thirty livres, and a certain quantity of wine, and ten livres to a common sailor, besides their share in fishing. They also furnish the bait at a certain price agreed upon with the crews of the sloops, and the fish when they are caught are divided in the following manner:

Suppose a sloop, after fishing a whole week, has caught one hundred thousand pilchards, and sold them to the proprietor of the sloop or any other merchant, at the rate of thirty sols the thousand, the price of the whole will amount to one hundred and fifty livres. Take away from this the price of the bait, which may amount to fifty livres, the neat produce of the fishery will be one hundred livres, which is divided

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divided into two equal parts, one to the proprietor of the sloop, the other to the fishermen. In common years, a sailor may gain during the fishing, which generally lasts four or five months, eighty or one hundred livres, besides the customary gratuity of wine. A larger sort of sloops or boats, from three to six tons burthen, belonging to different places, come from Belleisle and the river of Vannes, to purchase the pilchards of the fishermen. The owners of these sloops salt the fish they purchase with white salt, and carry them in that condition to Nantz, Bourdeaux, and other places along the coast, from the Loire to the Garonne, where they find vent for them. But the merchants of Belleisle purchase the greatest part of them, and cure them in the following manner. First of all, they salt them with great salt, and let them lie fifteen days in the pickle; after this they wash them in sea water, and put them in barrels made of beech, with two bottoms, whereof the uppermost has a great many holes in it, to let the water and oil which is in the fish run off. To this purpose they press them with heavy weights for ten days, at the end of which they reckon the pilchards are entirely cleared from their oil. The water and the oil thus cleared are conveyed by a canal into a vessel designed for their reception, whence the oil is afterwards taken and prepared for use. Thirty or forty barrels of fish produce but one of oil. The pilchards thus cured are sent to Bilboa, St Sebastian, Bayonne, and all the towns and villages along the Garonne; to the maritime places of Poitou, Aunis, and Saintonge; and to Nantz, whence they are sent to the other towns upon the Loire. As to the oil, a part of it is consumed in the island in careening the sloops and other vessels. The common people also use it in their lamps. The rest of it is sent to Bourdeaux and Nantes. Upon the whole, it is said that this trade brings to Belleisle in common years from one hundred and forty to one hundred and sixty thousand livres.

Here is likewise another small island, called Damet, about two miles long and one broad, very barren; no inhabitants but the garrison of a small fort. It was taken by Sir Edward Hawke in 1760; it abounds with fine fresh water.

The islands of Houac and Hedic belong to the government of Belleisle. The first lying about the distance of two leagues from it, extends a league in length, and half a league in breadth. The second is almost three leagues distant from Belleisle, and not half so big as the former. They both belong to the monks of the abbay of St Gildas, on the isthmus of Rhuis. They are each of them fortified with a good tower armed with cannons, surrounded with a large ditch, and garrisoned in time of war by a detachment of twenty-four men, under the command of a Lieutenant from the garrison of Belleisle. The great design of fortifying them was to prevent their being places of refuge to the privateers of Jersey and Guernsey, who used to make descents upon them, to lay in stores of water and provisions. These islands produce wheat only; a fourth part whereof is carried away by the abbé and monks of St Gildas; the other three parts are scarce sufficient for the consumption of the inhabitants.

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There are about fifty men on the island of Houac, and thirty on Hedic, who, notwithstanding a life of severe labour and hardship, retain the strength and vigour of the first ages of mankind, being exceeding well made, and almost all of a gigantic stature. They are generally employed in fishing congre eels, skate, and pilchards, which they sell fresh. The inhabitants of Houac have seven small sloops, those of Hedic four, on board of each of which they put six or seven men. There is no harbour in either of these islands; therefore it is their custom to run their sloops and boats ashore, and hawl them beyond high-water-mark.

Note 181. Commodore Keppel having been joined by several men of war, detached Sir Thomas Stanhope with the following Squadron to Basque Road.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Swiftsure,	70	520	Capt. Sir Thomas Stanhope.
Sandwich,	90	750	R. Norbury.
Trident,	64	520	B. Clive.
Buckingham,	64	520	P. Parker.
Monmouth,	64	520	J. Storr.
Nassau,	64	520	M. Suckling.
Prince of Orange,	60	420	S. Wallis.
Aetion,	28	200	P. H. Ourry.
Fly,	14	100	G. Gayton.
Blast,	8	60	E. Willis.
Furnace, } bombs, {	8	60	Chaplen.

Note 182. A List of the Squadron under the command of Captain Buckle, which cruized off Brest, to prevent the enemy sending any succours to the Chevalier de St Croix at Belleisle.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Namur,	90	750	Capt. Mat. Buckle.
Union,	90	750	T. Evans.
Royal William,	84	750	Hugh Pigot.
Princess Amelia,	80	730	John Montagu.
Hero,	74	600	Wm Fortescue.
Fame,	74	600	Hon. J. Byron.
Cornwall,	74	600	Robert Man.
Mars,	74	600	Richard Spry.
Bedford,	64	520	Joseph Deane.
Prince Frederick,	64	520	Jer. Maplesden.
St Florentine,	60	420	Sir Wm Trelawney.
Lyon,	60	420	Ed. Le Cras.
Rippon,	60	420	Ed. Jekyll.

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Tweed,	28	200	Wm Patton.
Aquilon,	28	200	Chaloner Ogle.

Note 183. King of Spain's Orders for detaining the English Ships; his Britannic Majesty's Declaration of War against the King of Spain, and the King of Spain's Declaration of War against the King of Great Britain.

Copy of the King of Spain's Orders to the Governors of the sea-port Towns of that Kingdom, for the detention of the English Ships. Translated from the original Spanish.

Buen Retiro, Dec. 10. 1761.

His Majesty is pretty sure that the King of England has already, or will in a few days, declare war, or cause hostilities to be commenced against his Majesty's subjects; on this supposition, and until we are informed what conduct the English will observe in their rupture with Spain, which their injustice has occasioned, it is his Majesty's will, that the ships of that nation that shall be found in any of the ports of his dominions shall be detained, declaring at the same time, that this is only done to keep them as a deposit, and which is to be effected with the precaution that all concerned shall think proper to take for the preservation of the ships and cargoes, till his Majesty finds that the King of England begins the war, agreeable to the regulations established among civilized nations, when they will be set at liberty. To put in execution this his Majesty's orders, and that nothing may be wanting to obtain the true object thereof, it is necessary that your Lordship will make seizure of all the English ships, either men of war or merchantmen, that should be found in the ports of your jurisdiction, taking off their rudders, and securing their papers, to prevent their putting out to sea. Care shall be taken that no ill treatment is offered to their crews, and that no hurt be done to their cargoes; taking what measures should be requisite to the satisfaction of their respective owners for their preservation.

It is likewise his Majesty's pleasure, that an embargo shall be laid in all the ports of Spain (till new orders) on all ships or vessels of any nation whatsoever, beginning with the Spanish ships, in order to hinder any intelligence that might be given to the enemy of this rupture, and to provide against the danger that, by such information, the Spanish men of war, or merchantmen, now at sea, would run of being seized by the enemy.

This order has no other exception, but that no obstruction or hindrance shall be put to the departure from this port of any vessel that

Don Juan de Arraiga, or the ministers of the marine department, shall think proper to send out. The King trusts to your prudence and zeal for the due execution of his orders.

King of Great Britain's Declaration of War against the King of Spain.

GEORGE R.

The constant object of our attention, since our accession to the throne, has been, if possible, to put an end to the calamities of war, and to settle the public tranquillity upon a solid and lasting foundation. To prevent those calamities from being extended still farther; and because the most perfect harmony between Great Britain and Spain, is, at all times, the mutual interest of both nations; it has been our earnest desire to maintain the strictest amity with the King of Spain, and to accommodate the disputes between us and that Crown in the most amicable manner. This object we have steadily pursued, notwithstanding the many partialities shown by the Spaniards to our enemies the French, during the course of the present war, inconsistent with their neutrality; and most essential proofs have been given of the friendship and regard of the Court of Great Britain for the King of Spain, and his family. After a conduct so friendly, and so full of good faith, on our part, it was matter of great surprise to us, to find a memorial delivered on the 23d day of July last, by Monsieur Buffy, Minister Plenipotentiary of France, to one of our principal Secretaries of State, expressly relating to the disputes between us and the crown of Spain; and declaring, if those objects should bring on a war, the French King would be obliged to take part therein. Our surprise was increased, when afterwards this unprecedented and offensive step, made by a power at open war with us, was avowed by the Spanish minister to our ambassador at Madrid, to have been taken with the full approbation and consent of the King of Spain. But as this avowal was accompanied with the most becoming apologies on the part of the King of Spain, and with assurances, that such memorial never would have been delivered, if it had been foreseen that we should have looked upon it in an offensive light, and that the King of Spain was at liberty, and ready to adjust all his differences with Great Britain, without the intervention or knowledge of France; and soon after we had the satisfaction to be informed by our ambassador at the Court of Madrid, that the Spanish minister, taking notice of the reports industriously spread of an approaching rupture, had acquainted him, that the King of Spain had, at no time, been more intent on cultivating a good correspondence with us; and as the Spanish ambassador at our Court made repeated declarations to the same effect, we thought ourselves bound, in justice and prudence, to forbear coming to extremities. But the same tender concern for the welfare of our subjects, which prevented our accelerating precipitately a war with Spain, if it could possibly be avoided, made it necessary for us to know with cer-

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tainty, what were the engagements and real intentions of the Court of Spain. Therefore as we had information that engagements had been lately contracted between the Courts of Madrid and Versailles; and it was soon after indultiously spread throughout all Europe, by the ministers of France, that the purport of those engagements was hostile to Great Britain, and that Spain was on the point of entering into the war; we directed our ambassador to desire in the most friendly terms, a communication of the treaties lately concluded between France and Spain; or of such articles thereof as immediately related to Great Britain, if any such there were; or, at least, an assurance that there were none incompatible with the friendship subsisting between us and the Court of Spain. Our astonishment and concern was great, when we learnt, that, so far from giving satisfaction upon so reasonable an application, the Spanish minister had declined answering; with reasonings and insinuations of a very hostile tendency: And as, at the same time, we had intelligence that great armaments were making in Spain, by sea and land, we thought it absolutely necessary to try once more if a rupture could be avoided. We therefore directed our ambassador to ask, in a firm but friendly manner, whether the Court of Madrid intended to join the French, our enemies, to act hostilely against Great Britain, or to depart from its neutrality; and if he found the Spanish minister avoided to give a clear answer, to insinuate, in the most decent manner, that the refusing or avoiding to answer a question so reasonable, could only arise from the King of Spain's having already engaged or resolved to take part against us, and must be looked upon as an avowal of such hostile intention, and equivalent to a declaration of war; and that he had orders immediately to leave the court of Madrid. The peremptory refusal of the court of Spain to give the least satisfaction with regard to any of those reasonable demands on our part, and the solemn declaration at the same time made by the Spanish minister, that they considered the war as then actually declared, prove to a demonstration that their resolution to act offensively was so absolutely and irrevocably taken, that it could not be any longer dissembled or denied. The King of Spain, therefore, having been induced, without any provocation on our part, to consider the war as already commenced against us, which has in effect been declared at Madrid, we trust, that by the blessing of Almighty God on the justice of our cause, and by the assistance of our loving subjects, we shall be able to defeat the ambitious designs which have formed this union between the two branches of the House of Bourbon, having now begun a new war, and portend the most dangerous consequences to all Europe; therefore we have thought fit to declare, and do hereby declare war against the said King of Spain; and we will, in pursuance of such declaration, rigorously prosecute the said war, wherein the honour of our crown, the welfare of our subjects, and the prosperity of our nation, which we are determined at all times to the utmost of our power to preserve and support, are so greatly concerned. And we do hereby will and require our generals and commanders of our forces, our commis-

fioners for executing the office of our High Admiral of Great Britain, our lieutenants of our several counties, governors of our forts and garrisons, and all other officers and soldiers under them, by sea and land, to do and execute all acts of hostility against the said King of Spain, his vassals and subjects, and to oppose their attempts, willing and requiring all our subjects to take notice of the same, whom we henceforth strictly forbid to hold any correspondence or communication with the said King of Spain or his subjects: And we do hereby command our own subjects, and advertise all other persons of what nation soever, not to transport or carry any soldiers, arms, powder, ammunition, or other contraband goods, to any of the territories, lands, plantations, or countries of the said King of Spain, declaring that whatsoever ship or vessel shall be met withal, transporting, or carrying any soldiers, arms, powder, ammunition, or other contraband goods, to any of the territories, lands, plantations, or countries of the said King of Spain, the same being taken shall be condemned as good and lawful prize: And whereas there may be remaining in our kingdoms divers of the subjects of the King of Spain, we do hereby declare our royal intention to be, that all the Spanish subjects who shall demean themselves dutifully towards us, shall be safe in their persons and effects.

Given at our court at St James's, the 2d day of January 1762, in the second year of our reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

The same day his Majesty was pleased to order a commission to be made out to authorise the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to issue forth and grant letters of marque or commissions to privateers, &c. And on the 5th of January the Lords of the Admiralty gave notice, that such commissions were to be had at their office, on giving the proper security. And on the 26th of July, his Majesty was pleased to publish his royal proclamation, appointing the distribution of prizes taken, and the bounty for taking or destroying ships of war or privateers of the enemy from the time of the declaration of the war against Spain, which is the same, *mutatis mutandis*, with the proclamation for the like purpose on the breaking out of war with France.

On the 18th of January war was proclaimed at Madrid against Great Britain. The following is the declaration:

THE KING.

Although I have already taken for a declaration of war by England against Spain, the inconsiderate step of Lord Bristol, the Britanish King's ambassador at my court, when he demanded of Don Richard Wall, my minister of state, what engagements I had contracted with France, making this the condition of his demand, or rather adding this threat, that if he did not receive a categorical answer, he would leave my court, and take the denial for an aggression; and although before this provocation was received, my patience was tired out with suffering and beholding, on many occasions, that the English go-

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vernment minded no other law but the aggrandisement of their nation by land, and universal despotism by sea, I was nevertheless desirous to see whether this menace would be carried into execution, or whether the court of England, sensible of the inefficacy of such methods towards my dignity and that of my crown, would not employ others that would be more suitable to me, and make me overlook all those insults; but the haughtiness of the English was so far from containing itself within due bounds, that I have just learnt, that on the 2d instant a resolution was taken by his Britannic Majesty in council, to declare war against Spain. Thus seeing myself under the hard necessity of following this example, which I would never have given, because it is so horrible, and so contrary to humanity, I have ordered by a decree of the 15th instant, that war should likewise be immediately declared on my part against the King of England, his kingdoms, estates, and subjects: and that, in consequence thereof, proper orders should be sent to all parts of my dominions, where it should be necessary for their defence, and that of my subjects, as well as for acting offensively against the enemy.

For this end, I order my council of war to take the requisite measures that this declaration of war may be published at my court, and in my kingdoms, with the formalities usual upon such occasions; and that in consequence all kind of hostilities may be exercised towards the English, that those of them who are not naturalised in Spain may leave my kingdoms; that they may carry on no trade there; and that only those who are employed as artisans may be suffered to remain; that for the future my subjects may have no dealings with those of England, nor with the estates of that crown, for any of their productions or fisheries, particularly cod, or their manufactures or merchandise; so that the inhibition of this trade may be understood to be, and may be in fact, absolute and effective, and stamp a vicious quality and a prohibition of sale on the aforesaid effects, productions, fisheries, cod, merchandises, and manufactures, of the dominions of England: That no vessels whatsoever, with the above-mentioned effects on board, may be admitted into my harbours; and that they may not be permitted to be brought in by land, being illicit, and prohibited in my kingdoms, though they may have been brought or deposited in buildings, baggage, warehouses, shops, or houses of merchants, or other private persons, my subjects or vassals, or subjects or vassals of provinces and states with whom I am in peace or alliance, or have a free trade, whom, nevertheless, I intend not to hurt, or to infringe the peace, the liberty and privilege which they enjoy by treaty, of carrying on a legal trade in my kingdoms with their ships, and the proper and peculiar productions of their lands, provinces, and conquests, or the produce of their manufactories.

I also command, that all merchants, who shall have in their possession any cod, or other fish, or produce of the dominions of England, shall, in the space of fifteen days from the date of this declaration, declare the same, and deliver an account thereof, either at my court or elsewhere, to the officers who shall be appointed by the Marquis de Squilace, superintendant-general of my revenues, that the whole may be

be forthcoming; and such of the said effects, of which a list shall not be so delivered in the space of fifteen days, shall be immediately confiscated; two months, and no more, being allowed for the consumption of those which shall be declared; after which time the merchant shall be obliged to carry the said effects to the customhouses; and where there is no customhouse, to the houses that serve instead thereof, that they may be publicly sold, by an officer or officers nominated for that end, or, if none should be appointed, by the judges, who shall give the produce of the sale to the proprietors; but none of the said merchandises prohibited in the manner just prescribed shall return to the warehouses or shops.

I have given a separate commission, with all necessary powers, to the Marquis de Squillac, superintendant-general of my revenues, that in that quality he may see that this prohibited trade be not suffered, and that he may immediately issue such orders and instructions as he shall think necessary for this important end; taking cognisance, in the first instance, in person, and by his sub delegates, of the disputes which shall arise on occasion of this contraband, with an appeal to the council of finances in the hall of justice; except, however, what relates to contraband military stores, arms, and other effects belonging to war, particularised in treaties of peace; the cognisance of disputes on these articles belonging to the council of war and the military tribunals.

And I command, that all that is above be observed, executed, and accomplished, under the heavy penalties contained in the laws, pragmatics, and royal schedules, issued on like occasions in times past, which are to extend also to all my subjects, and the inhabitants of my kingdoms and estates, without any exception, and notwithstanding any privileges; my will being, that this declaration of war should come as soon as possible to the knowledge of my subjects, as well as they may guard their persons and effects from the insults of the English, as that they may labour to molest them, by naval armaments, and other methods authorised by the law of arms.

Given at Buen Retiro, January 16. 1762.

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Note 184. Supplies granted for the Year 1762.

I. For the Navy, &c.

	£.	s.	d.
For 70,000 seamen, including 19,061 marines, at L. 4 per man per month, for thirteen months, including the ordnance for sea-service, for 1762,	3,640,000	0	0
For the ordinary of the navy, including half-pay to sea-officers, for 1762,	272,226	9	1
Towards the buildings, rebuilding, and repairs, of his Majesty's ships, for 1762,	200,000	0	0
Carried forward,	£. 4,112,226	9	1

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Brought forward,	4,112,226	9	1
For completing the chapel of the hospital for sick and wounded seamen, at Haslar, near Gosport, and such other works as may be afterwards found proper to be performed before the whole work is put out of hand,	1,000	0	0
For completing the works of the hospital for sick and wounded seamen, building near Plymouth,	6,000	0	0
For the charge of transport-service between October 1. 1760 and September 30. 1761, including the expence of victualling the land-forces within the said time,	835,025	3	8
Towards paying off and discharging the debt of the navy,	1,000,000	0	0
To enable his Majesty to discharge the exchequer-bills made out by virtue of an act of last session, for discharging navy-debts, and towards naval services, for 1761, and charged upon the first aids to be granted in this session,	1,500,000	0	0
	<u>£. 7,454,251</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>9</u>

II. *For the Land-forces, &c.*

For defraying the charge of 67,676 land-forces, including those in Germany, and on an expedition, and 4008 invalids, for 1762,	1,629,320	18	1
For maintaining his Majesty's forces and garrisons in the Plantations, Gibraltar, Guadaloupe, Africa, and the East Indies, and for provisions for the garrisons in Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Gibraltar, Providence, Quebec, Guadaloupe, Senegal, and Goree, for 1762,	873,780	18	7
For defraying the charge of four regiments of foot, on the Irish establishment, serving in North America, for 1762,	23,284	0	6
For defraying the charge of an augmentation to his Majesty's forces, consisting of 9370 men, from December 25. 1761 to December 24. 1762, both inclusive,	163,711	12	6
For the pay of the general, and general staff-officers, and officers of the hospitals, for the land-forces, for 1762,	72,896	14	2
For the charge of the office of ordnance for land-service, for 1762,	3,106,749	1	9
Carried forward,	<u>£. 3,106,749</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>9</u>

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Brought forward,	3,106,749	1	9
For defraying the extraordinary expence of services performed by ditto, and not provided for, in 1761,	299,161	4	4
For defraying the charge of the embodied militia of the several counties in South Britain, and of the Fencible men of Argyleshire, and of Lord Sutherland's battalion of Highlanders, in North Britain, from December 25. 1761, to December 24. 1762, both days inclusive, being 365 days,	443,952	10	10
Upon account, for defraying the charge of cloathing for the embodied militia, for 1762,	60,706	4	1
Upon account, towards defraying the charge of the pay of the militia of England when unembodied, and of the cloathing of the part of the said militia now unembodied, for one year, beginning March 25. 1762,	20,000	0	0
For defraying the extraordinary expences of his Majesty's land-forces, and other services incurred, to November 24. 1761, and not provided for,	1,353,662	4	1
— From November 24. 1761 to December 24. following, and not provided for,	958,384	0	10
Upon account, for the reduced officers of his Majesty's land-forces and marines, for 1762,	34,383	0	0
For allowances to the officers and private gentlemen of the two troops of horse-guards, and regiment of horse, reduced, and to the superannuated gentlemen of the four troops of horse-guards, for 1762,	2,952	13	4
For pensions to the widows of such reduced officers of his Majesty's land-forces and marines, as died upon the establishment of half-pay in Great Britain, and who were married to them before December 25. 1716, for 1762,	1,838	0	0
Upon account, for outpensioners of Chelsea hospital, for 1762,	13,749	10	5
Upon account, to enable his Majesty to give a proper compensation to the respective provinces in North America, for the expences incurred by them in the levying, cloathing, and pay, of the troops raised by them, according as the active vigour and strenuous efforts of the respective provinces shall be thought by his Majesty to merit,	133,333	6	8
Towards enabling the East India Company to defray the expence of a military force, in their			

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settlements, to be maintained by them, in lieu of Colonel Adlercron's battalion, withdrawn from thence, and now returned to Ireland,	20,000	0	
To be employed in maintaining and supporting the fort at Annamaboo, and the other British forts and settlements upon the coast of Africa,	13,000	0	
Upon account, to enable his Majesty to defray any extraordinary expences of the war, incurred or to be incurred, for the service of the year 1762; and to assist the King of Portugal, an ancient and natural ally of his Majesty's crown, and to take all such measures as may be necessary to disappoint and defeat any enterprises or designs of his enemies, against his Majesty, or his allies, and as the exigency of affairs may require,	1,000,000	0	0
	<u>£. 7,461,871</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>4</u>

III. For Foreign Subsidies, Pay to Foreign Troops, &c.

For defraying the charge—of 39,773 men of the troops of Hanover, Wolfenbuttle, Saxe-Gotha, and Count of Buckeburg, together with that of general and staff officers, actually employed against the common enemy, in concert with the King of Prussia, from December 25. 1761 to December 24. 1762, both days inclusive, to be issued in advance every two months, in like manner as the pay of the Hessian forces now in the service of Great Britain; the said body of troops to be mustered by an English commissary, and the effective state thereof to be ascertained by the signature of the commander in chief of the said forces,	465,638	16	2½
—of 2120 horse, and 9900 foot, together with the general and staff officers, the officers of the hospital, and officers and others belonging to the train of artillery, the troops of the Landgrave of Hesse-Cassel, in the pay of Great Britain, for 365 days, from December 25. 1761 to December 24. 1762, both days inclusive, together with the subsidy for the said time, pursuant to treaty,	268,360	8	8
—of an additional corps of 1576 horse, and 8808 foot, &c. ditto troops in ditto pay, for 365			

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Brought forward,	733,999	4	10
days, from January 1. 1761 to December 31. 1762, both days inclusive, pursuant to treaty,	147,071	5	2
— of 1444 cavalry, and 2330 infantry, the troops of the reigning Duke of Brunswick, in the pay of Great Britain, for 365 days, from December 25. 1761 to December 24. 1762, both days inclusive, together with the subsidy for the said time, pursuant to treaty,	68,008	9	1
— of five battalions serving with his Majesty's army in Germany, each battalion consisting of one troop of 101 men, and four companies of foot, of 125 men in each company, with a corps of artillery, for 365 days, from December 25. 1761 to December 24. 1762, both days inclusive,	25,504	6	8
Upon account, towards defraying the charges of forage, bread, bread-waggons, train of artillery, and of provisions, wood, straw, &c. and other extraordinary expences and contingencies of his Majesty's combined army under the command of Prince Ferdinand,	1,000,000	0	0
Upon account, towards enabling his Majesty to grant a reasonable succour, in money, to the Landgrave of Hesse-Cassel, pursuant to treaty,	50,000	0	0
	£. 2,024,583	5	9
IV. For discharging Sums granted by the preceding Session, replacing Sums borrowed from the Sinking Fund, &c.			
To enable his Majesty to discharge the like sum raised in pursuance of an act of last session, and charged upon the first aids to be granted in this session,	1,000,000	0	0
To replace to the sinking fund the like sums paid out of it to make good the deficiencies,—of the duties upon offices and pensions, and upon houses and windows, July 5. 1761, granted by an act 3 ^d George II. and for paying annuities at the Bank, in respect of five millions borrowed towards the supply for 1758,	52,393	16	9
— of the duties on malt, July 5. 1761, granted by an act 3 ^d George II.	10,540	0	0
— of the duties on strong beer and ale, July 5. 1761, granted by an act 1 st Geo. III.	103,906	0	0
To make good the deficiency of the grants for the service of the year 1761,	112,613	5	9
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V. For matters of Police, extraordinary Services, &c.

0	0	To be applied towards the improving, widening, and enlarging the passage over and through London bridge, -	15,000	0	0
0	0	Upon account, for supporting and maintaining the settlement of his Majesty's colony of Nova Scotia, for 1762, -	5,684	1	10
5	9	Upon account, for defraying the charges of the civil establishment of his Majesty's colony of Georgia, from June 24. 1761 to June 24. 1762, -	4,057	10	0
replacing		Upon account, towards enabling the governors and guardians of the Foundling hospital to maintain and educate such children as were received into the hospital on or before March 25. 1760, from December 31. 1761 exclusive, to December 31. 1762 inclusive, to be issued without fee or any deduction, -	41,752	10	0
0	0	Towards enabling the trustees of the British Museum to carry on the execution of the trust proposed in them by parliament, -	2,000	0	0
16	9	To be applied towards new paving the streets of Westminster, &c. -	5,000	0	0
0	0	Towards enabling the commissioners appointed by an act 33d Geo. II. for repairing and widening roads in Berwickshire, and for building a bridge over the Tweed near Coldstream, to build the			
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faid bridge, and to defray fuch other expences as may be found neceffary in relation thereto,	4,000	0	0
Total for matters of police, extraordinary } services, &c. -	77,494	1	10
Total for the navy, &c. -	£. 7,454,251	12	9
Total for the land-forces, &c. -	7,461,871	16	4
Total for foreign fubfides, pay to foreign } troops, &c. -	2,024,583	5	9
Total for difcharging fums granted by the pre- } ceding feflion, replacing fums borrowed } from the finking fund, &c. -	1,280,953	2	2
Total of the fupplies granted for the year 1762,	£. 18,299,153	18	11

Note 185. Description of the Philippine Iflands; a List of the General and Staff Officers; the Land and Naval Forces deftined againft Manila; Terms agreed to by the Spaniards for delivering up of Manila and the Port of Cavite, &c.; alfo the Terms they agreed to, to preferve the City from being facked; various Returns, &c.

THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Extend from N. Lat. 6. to near 20. and from E. Long. 114. to 126. Their numbers are computed to be 1200, of which 400 are confiderable; and form a principal divifion of that immense Indian Archipelago, which confifts of fo many thoufand iflands, fome of them the largeft, and many of them by nature the richeft, in the world. The Philippines form the northernmoft clufter of thefe iflands, and were difcovered in 1521 by the famous navigator Ferdinand Magellan, a Portuguefe gentleman, who had ferved his native country in the wars in Africa and the Eaft Indies with great fidelity; and finding himfelf neglected by the government of Portugal, he left it in difguft, and offered his fervices to the Emperor Charles V. King of Spain, to whom he fhewed that there was a probability of difcovering a way to the Spice Iflands in the Eaft Indies by the weft: whereupon he got the command of five fmall fhips, and failed from Seville on the 10th of Auguft 1519; and ftanding over to the coaft of South America, continued his voyage to the fouthward to 52 deg. where he fortunately hit upon a freight (fince called the Streights of Magellan), which carried him into the Pacific ocean, or South Sea; and then fleering northward, repaffed the equator; after which he failed weft over that vaft ocean, till he arrived at Guan, one of the Ladrone or Marian iflands,

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islands, on the 16th of March 1521; and soon after sailed to the westward, and discovered the Philippines, which he did on St Lazarus's day; and, in honour of that saint, he called them the Archipelago of St Lazarus. He took possession of them in the name of the King of Spain; but happening to be killed in a skirmish in one of these islands, his people proceeded and arrived at the Moluccas, or Clove Islands, where they left a colony, and returned to Spain by the way of the Cape of Good Hope, being the first men that ever sailed round the world. There was no attempt to settle or subdue these islands, till the year 1564, in the reign of Philip II. (under whom the Spanish monarchy was greatly augmented, but its real strength so impaired, that almost two centuries have not restored it to its former vigour), when Don Lewis de Velasco, viceroy of Mexico, sent Michael Lopez Delagaspes, with a fleet thither from Mexico, and a force sufficient to make a conquest of these islands, which he named the Philippines, in honour of Philip II. then King of Spain; and they have remained under the dominion of that crown till taken by Sir William Draper. The Philippines are scarce inferior to any other islands of Asia, in all the natural productions of that happy climate; and they are by far the best situated for an extensive and advantageous commerce. By their position, they form the centre of intercourse with China, Japan, and the Spice Islands: and whilst they are under the dominion of Spain, they connect the Asiatic and American commerce, and become a general magazine for the rich manufactures of the one, and for the treasures of the other. Besides, they are well situated for a supply of European goods, both from the side of Acapulco, and by the way of the Cape of Good Hope.

In fact, they formerly enjoyed a traffic in some degree proportioned to the peculiar felicity of their situation; but the Spanish dominion is too vast and unconnected to be improved to the best advantage. The spirit of commerce is not powerful in that people. The trade of the Philippines is thought to have declined; its great branch is now reduced to two ships, which annually pass between these islands and Acapulco in America, and to a single port of Manila in the island of Luconia. But of this trade we will speak more at large when we treat of that island.

The principal of the Philippine islands are, Luconia or Manila, Tandago or Samul, Masbate, Mindora, Luban, Paragoa, Panay, Leyte, Bohel, Sibul, Sogbu, Negros, St John, Xolo, and Mindanao. In most of these, the Spanish power prevails, and all are under the governor of Luconia; but there are some in which that nation has little authority, or even influence, such as Mindanao. Luconia or Manila being the largest and principal, we shall confine ourselves to a description of it, from whence a notion may be formed of the rest. Luconia is upwards of three hundred miles in length, and in some places two hundred, and others not eighty miles in breadth. The sea-coast is a fine fertile country, well improved; and the Spaniards have some considerable settlements on it. The interior parts are mountainous, but have fruitful vallies, many lakes abounding in fish, and large rivers; and

and in the mountains are some gold mines, and others of great value. For so large and fertile an island, the number of inhabitants is but small; the whole, perhaps, not amounting to half a million; and of those not a third are in subjection to the Spaniards. The others serve them as vassals or allies, they being a mixture of Chinese, Ethiopians, Malays, Spaniards, Portuguese, Pintadoes, or painted people, and Meltees, a mixture of all these. From these various origins, they are of different degrees of savageness, according as they have been more or less subdued by religion, or refined by intercourse with strangers. The Roman-Catholic religion is established by the Spaniards; but on account of the many different extractions of the inhabitants, all different modes of Indian worship are tolerated.

They have many trees and plants in this island, which are of great value; plenty of wild buffaloes, whose hides are a great article of their trade with China; deer, wild hogs, goats, and many quadrupeds, natives of the island; besides horses and black cattle, who have multiplied exceedingly; a great number of birds, and plenty of poultry. As the islands are hot and moist, there are a number of venomous creatures; and, notwithstanding the fineness of the climate, and its producing so luxuriously to the wants, both real and imaginary, of men, yet, from the frequent inundations and earthquakes, its pleasures are greatly allayed. They had such a terrible earthquake here in 1627, that it levelled Mount Carvallo; and, in 1645, a third part of the city of Manila was overthrown, and three thousand people buried in the ruins. Many of the inhabitants build their houses on posts, for fear of the inundations. The Spaniards allow no European nation to trade; but they carry on a trade with the Chinese and Japanese to a considerable amount. The island likewise produces all sorts of tropical fruits; and many American, African, and European trees, plants, and roots, thrive here to admiration: loadstones are likewise found in the island; and the water here is said to be the best in the world. The chief harbour or bay is the great bay of Manila, which lies on the western side of the island, and is perhaps the most remarkable in the world, being a large circular basin, near ten leagues in diameter, great part of it entirely land-locked. On the east side of this bay stands the city of Manila, which is the only respectable place in the whole Philippines. The city is fortified in the modern manner, its walls well mounted with brass cannon, and a wet ditch. The town is laid out in the most regular form, with a grand square in the middle. The churches are very rich, and splendidly adorned. The houses and public buildings are mostly of wood, and have as much magnificence as such materials are capable of. The Spaniards are discouraged from building with more durable materials, by earthquakes, the city having been more than once shaken to the ground by them. The natives only cultivate the soil. Within the city may be about three thousand Spaniards; and about ten thousand Chinese, who are the only artificers, occupy a suburb called the Parian. On the conquest of China by the Tartars, in the last century, great numbers fled their country, filling all the considerable towns, not only of the Philippines, but of the

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the Moluccas and Sunda islands, with an ingenious and industrious people, who brought with them, and infused into all those countries, the skill of manufacture and spirit of commerce. The conquest of China had near the same effect in this part of the world, which the revocation of the edict of Nantz produced in ours. Besides the Pannian, there are several other suburbs of great extent contiguous to the city, inhabited by forty thousand of the native Indians, or by that mixed breed so common in all the Spanish colonies, resulting from that great variety of races of men, who originally inhabited, or came as adventurers, or were brought as slaves, into their extensive dominions.

The Spaniards, not actuated with the spirit of industry or commerce, do not improve the fine situation of these islands for trade to the utmost: on the contrary, the trade here is hurtful to the mother-country; for, instead of taking of her manufactures, they trade with the Chinese for spices, silks, stockings, Indian stuffs, calicoes, chintz, and many other articles; and with the Japanese, for cabinets, and all sorts of lacquered ware; for all which they pay in gold or silver. All these commodities, together with what the island produces, and great quantities of wrought plate by the Chinese artisans, are collected at Manila, and transported annually in two ships to Acapulco in Mexico. Each of these ships is esteemed worth L. 600,000 Sterling; and in the war which began in 1739, and which was not distinguished by such a series of wonderful successes as the last, the taking of one of the galleons which carries on the trade between Manila and America, was considered as one of the most brilliant advantages which we gained. This trade is not laid open to all the inhabitants of Manila, but is confined by very particular regulations, somewhat analogous to those by which the trade of the register ships from Cadiz to the West Indies is restrained. The ships employed are all King's ships, commissioned and paid by him, and the tonnage is divided into a certain number of bales, all of the same size. These are divided among the convents at Manila, but principally the Jesuits*, as a donation to support their missions for the propagation of the Roman Catholic faith. Most of the religious are concerned in this trade, and sell to the merchants at a great price what room in the ship they are not to occupy. This trade is by a royal edict limited to a certain value; but it always exceeds it, each ship being generally worth 3,000,000 of dollars. The returns made from America are in silver, cochineal, sweetmeats, together with some European millinery ware for the women, and some strong Spanish wine. It is obvious, that the greatest part of the treasure remitted does not remain at Manila, but is dispersed over India for goods. Many strong remonstrances against this Indian trade to Mexico have been made to the court of Spain, wherein they urge, that the silk manufactories of Valentia and other parts of Spain, the linens from Cadiz, and their

* We do not know who has the Jesuits share since they were expelled the Spanish dominions.

other manufactories, are hurt in their sale in Mexico and Peru, by the Chinese being able to afford them goods of the same sort cheaper than they are able; that were this trade laid open, the whole treasure of the new world would centre in Spain, or with European merchants; but now it enriches only the Jesuits and a few private persons. Were as these arguments are, the Jesuits and priests, versant in intrigue, and the most selfish set of men on earth, had interest enough at court to stop the effect.

At Cavite in this bay are a fort, a town, and a fine dock-yard, where these large galleons are built and repaired, and where they load and unload, together with all the other large ships that trade to this bay.

A List of the General and Staff-Officers at the Siege of the City of Manila.

Brigadier-General William Draper, Commander in Chief.

Colonel Hon. George Monson, Quarter-Master General.

Lieutenant-Colonel George Scott, Adjutant-General.

Major Robert Barker, Commandant of the Artillery.

Captains	{	Stevenson,	}	Engineers
		Cotsford,		
Ensign		Barnard,		

Captain Fletcher, Major of Brigade.

Captains	{	Moore,	}	Aides de Camp to the Commander in Chief.
		Pemble,		

Strength of the Army at the Siege of Manila.

	79th Regiment,	—	—	—	600
	Artillery,	—	—	—	30
1	Caffres,	—	—	—	100
2	Topasses,	—	—	—	100
	Pioneers,	—	—	—	100
	French and German Deserters,	—	—	—	200
3	Lascars,	—	—	—	200
	Seamen,	}	from the Fleet,	}	700
	Marines,				300
					2330

1 Slaves from Madagascar.

2 Black foot-soldiers, descended from Portuguese.

3 Indian sailors.

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List of his Majesty's Ships on the Expedition against Manila.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Men.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Norfolk,	74	600	Samuel Cornish, Vice-Admiral of the White, Capt. Richard Kempenfelt. Richard Tiddeman, Commodore. Capt. Isaac Ourry.
Elizabeth,	64	480	
Lenox,	74	600	
Grafton,	68	520	Jocelyn.
Weymouth,	60	420	Parker.
America,	60	420	Collins.
Panther,	60	420	Pitchford.
Falmouth,	50	350	G. Ourry, acting captain for Capt. Newfom.
Argo,	28	200	Brereton.
Seahorse,	20	160	King.
Seaford,	20	160	Cathcart Grant.
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Total,	578	4330	

Return of the Number of Seamen and Marines landed from each Ship to assist at the Siege of Manila.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Seamen.</i>			<i>Marines.</i>		<i>Privates.</i>
	<i>Commis. Officers.</i>	<i>Petty Officers.</i>	<i>Sea-men.</i>	<i>Commis. Officers.</i>	<i>Non-com. Officers.</i>	
Norfolk,	2	12	96	2	9	34
Lenox,	1	5	119	3	4	38
Grafton,	1	3	100	2	6	32
Elizabeth,	1	2	76	2	3	21
Weymouth,	3	7	80	2	6	26
Panther,	1	2	50	1	5	24
America,	2	2	61	1	4	22
Falmouth,	1	2	50	2	1	11
Argo,	0	0	0	2	3	22
Seahorse,	0	0	0	1	2	26
Seaford,	0	0	0	1	2	18
Total,	12	35	632	19	45	274

Commanders of the Seamen landed.

Captains, { R. Collins, of the Weymouth.
 S. Pitchford, of the America.
 G. Ourry, of the Panther.

Return of the Killed, Wounded, and Drowned, on the Expedition to Manila.

	OFFICERS.			NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS, AND RANK AND FILE.		
	Killed.	Wounded.	Drowned.	Killed.	Wounded.	Drowned.
Of the King's troops,	3	4	0	7	49	0
Seamen and Marines,	1	1	0	13	20	0
Of the Company's troops,	0	0	1	8	37	6
Total,	4	5	1	28	106	6

Proposals made to their Excellencies his Britannic Majesty's Commanders in Chief by Sea and Land, by his Excellency the Archbishop, Captain-General of the Philippine Islands, the Royal audience, the City and Commerce of Manila.

ARTICLE 1. That their effects and possessions shall be secured to them, under the protection of his Britannic Majesty, with the same liberty they have heretofore enjoyed.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 2. That the Catholic, Apostolic, and Roman religion, be preserved and maintained in its free exercise and functions, by its pastors and faithful ministers.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 3. That the families which are retired into the country may have free liberty to return unmolested.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 4. That the same indemnification and liberty may extend to persons of both sexes, inhabitants of this city, without any prejudice or molestation to their interior commerce.

Ans. They may carry on all sorts of commerce, as British subjects.

ART. 5. Having great confidence in the manners and politeness of their Excellencies the British Generals, hope they will use their best endeavours in preserving peace and quietness in the city and suburbs, chastising all people who shall dare to oppose their superior orders.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 6. That the inhabitants of this city may enjoy the same liberty of commerce as they have had heretofore; and that they may have proper passports granted them for that end.

Ans. Answered by the fourth article.

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ART 7. That the same liberty be granted to the natives of the country for bringing in all manner of provisions, according to their usual method, without the least opposition or extortion, paying for them in the same manner as hath been heretofore practised.

Ans. Granted; but any person coming in with fire arms, or offensive weapons, will be put to death.

ART 8. That the ecclesiastical government may be tolerated, and have free liberty to instruct the faithful, especially the native inhabitants.

Ans. They must not attempt to convert any of our Royal master's Protestant subjects to the Popish faith.

ART 9. That the use and exercise of the economical government of the city may remain in its same freedom and liberty.

Ans. Granted.

ART 10. That the authority, as well political as civil, may remain in the hands of the royal audience, to the end that, by their means, a stop may be put to all disorders, and the insolent and guilty be chastised.

Ans. To be subject to the superior controul of our government.

ART 11. That the said ministers and royal officers, their persons and goods, be in full security, be maintained in their honours, with a stipend sufficient for their support; his Catholic Majesty being answerable for the same. Upon these conditions the above-mentioned ministers will be under the protection of his Britannic Majesty, in the same manner as the rest of the inhabitants.

Ans. His Catholic Majesty must pay for their support.

ART 12. That the inhabitants may have free liberty to reside within or out of the city, as shall be most convenient for them.

Ans. Still to be subject to the revocation of our government, if they find it necessary.

Done at the head-quarters in the city of Manila, this 6th day of October 1762.

S. CORNISH.
W. DRAPER.

MAN. ANT. ARZP. de MANILA,
Gov. y Cap. Gen. la las Philippinas.
FRANCIS HENERIQUEZ de VILLACOURTA.
MANUEL GALBAN y VENTURA.
FRAN. LEANDRO de VIANA.

Conditions on which the City of Manila shall be preserved from plunder, and the inhabitants maintained in their religion, goods, liberties, and properties, under the government and protection of his Britannic Majesty.

1. The Spanish officers of every rank shall be esteemed as prisoners of war, upon their parole of honour, but shall have the liberty of wearing their swords. The rest of the troops, of every degree and quality

quality must be disarmed, and disposed of as we shall think proper. They shall be treated with humanity.

2. All the military stores and magazines, of every kind, must be surrendered faithfully to our commissaries, and nothing secreted or damaged.

3. His Excellency the Governor must send immediate orders to the Fort of Cavite, and the other forts under his command, and dependent upon Manila, to surrender to his Britannic Majesty.

4. The propositions, contained in the paper delivered on the part of his Excellency the Governor and his Council, will be listened to and confirmed to them upon their payment of four millions of dollars; the half to be paid immediately; the other half to be paid in a time to be agreed upon, and hostages and security given for that purpose.

Done in the City of Manila, October 6. 1762, and signed as the foregoing

All the islands (subordinate to Luconia, and Manila its capital, and which are at present under the dominion of his Catholic Majesty) must be ceded to his Britannic Majesty, who must be acknowledged Sovereign till the fate of these islands is decided by a peace between the two Kings. Their religion, goods, liberties, properties, and commerce, shall be preserved to the inhabitants of those islands who are subjects of Spain, in as ample a manner as they are confirmed to the inhabitants of Manila, and the island of Luconia. All the governors and military shall be allowed the honours of war, but give their parole, as the officers have done at Manila and Cavite, not to serve or take up arms against his Britannic Majesty.

MAN. ANT. ARZP. de MANILA,
Gov. y Cap. Gen. la las Philipinas.
FRAN. HENERIQUEZ de VILLACOURTA.
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FRAN. LEANDRO de VIANA.
Manila, Oct. 30. 1762.

S. CORNISH.
W. DRAPER.

*Return of the Brass and Iron Ordnance, Powder, Shot, Shells, &c.
found in the Town and Citadel of Manila.*

Brass ordnance, serviceable,	312	Shot of all sizes, from 28	} 18,073
Ditto, unserviceable,	8	pounders to 4 ounces,	
Iron-ordnance,	108	Grape ditto, -	2411
Ditto, -	15	Double-headed, -	118
Brass mortars, 6 inch, & beds,	2	Link, -	88
Iron howitzer, 7 inch,	1	Spiked, -	39
Carriages, -	66	Lead, 1 pound & a half,	1000
Ditto, -	85	Shells, from 13 inches to	} 44
Of the above, 4 brass-guns &		7 inches, -	
7 swivels were spiked, & 8		Hand granadoes,	848
wounded.		Gunpowder-boxes, 38	} lb 2280
		computed to contain	
		Cartridges,	

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Cartridges, filled with different sizes, 894,	} lb 4989	Spontoons, -	4
Ditto, matt-baggs, 41	} lb 6355	Halberts, -	13
computed to contain		Bayonets, very old,	200
Muskets, repairable,	270	Sponges with rammer-	} 200
Ditto, unserviceable,	257	heads, of little use, about	
Musket-barrels,	360	Bamboo-cartridges, of different sizes,	} 240

Return of Brass and Iron Ordnance, &c. found at Cavite.

Brass ordnance, serviceable,	137	Link shot, -	317
Ditto, unserviceable,	1	Grape ditto, -	987
Iron ditto, serviceable,	68	Shells, 1 & 8 inches,	8
Ditto, unserviceable,	24	Powder-boxes, 122, containing	lb 7680
Iron howitzers and carriages, serviceable,	11	Cartridges, 1221, containing	lb 7904
Carriages, ditto,	96	Muskets, serviceable,	480
Ditto, unserviceable,	41	Ditto, unserviceable,	12
Shot of all sizes, from fifty-four pounders to three pounders,	13,620	Bayonets, -	108
Double headed ditto,	411	Cutlasses, -	28

Spanish Prisoners.

Officers of note and staff officers,

			8	Brought forward,	335
	Captains,	14		Of the irregular Pam-panges,	} Captains, 1 Lieutenants, 2 Ensigns, 1
	Lieutenants,	13		Of the Cavite, adjutants,	
	Ensigns,	12		Of the citadel of St Jago, adjutants,	2
Infantry,	Adjutants,	2		Of the city of Manila, adjutants,	4
	Physician,	1		Of ditto, captain and engineer,	1
	Surgeon,	1		Of the cadet-company,	5
	Serjeants,	11		The Governor-General's life-guard,	8
	Rank and file,	261			
Of the marine,	Captains,	4			
	Ensigns,	2			
	Capt. Command.	1			
Of the Artillery,	Lieutenants,	2			
	Ensigns,	1			
	Adjutants,	1			
	Commissary,	1			
				Total,	361
	Carried forward,	335			

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The following is an exact account of the distribution made of all the money hitherto received on account of the Manila ransom, &c.

Among the admiral, general, and commodore,	£.	14,120	12	9
To the captains of the navy, and field-officers of the army, each,	-	1,539	0	8
To the lieutenants and masters of the navy, and captains of the army, each	-	165	4	8
To the warrant-officers of the navy, and subalterns of the army, each	-	89	0	5
To the petty officers of the navy, and non-commissioned officers of the army, each	-	30	0	1
To the seamen and soldiers, each	-	6	0	3

Note 186. A Description of the Island of Martinico; an Account of the Land-forces brought from North America, &c.; a List of the General and Staff Officers; the Military and Naval Force on the Expedition against Martinico; the Capitulations of Fort Royal, of the Inhabitants, and of the Governor; various Returns, &c.

MARTINICO, or, as it is called by the French, MARTINIQUE,

Is one of the Caribbee Islands, and lies in N. Lat. 15. 30. and 61 deg. W. Long. It was called by the natives Madanina. Its length is about sixty miles; but its breadth is extremely unequal, and scarcely any where more than twenty miles. It is divided, as all the Caribbees are, into Cabes-Terre and Basse-Terre. The former being on the windward side of the island, is much indented by deep bays, which the French call Cul de Sacs. Many of them run a considerable way up the country, and form many excellent harbours; others are shallow, and have rocks at their entrance; but all of them are of great service to the French in time of war, as from all these ports numbers of privateers are fitted out; and it is incredible to think what a number of prizes they carry in, where they are sure of protection, as all the bays are very well protected with batteries; and as there are little towns at all these harbours, they never want people sufficient to work their guns.

A lofty ridge of mountains runs throughout the whole island; from whence issue many streams, whose impetuosity in the hurricane season exceeds all description, and have more than once destroyed the best plantations in the island. Basse-Terre is extremely mountainous; and the country is intersected by deep ravines, or gullies, formed by the torrents from the neighbouring mountains. The island is well watered and cultivated, abounding in plantations, and villages along the sea-coast. The soil is for the most part gravelly, which, though

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though it soon swallows the rain, and becomes dry, yet retains the effect, so as to preserve its freshness much longer than a more compact soil, and gives a stronger and more extensive root to whatever is planted. The two principal places in Basse-Terre are, St Pierre and Fort Royal; of which we shall speak presently. The island is divided into twenty-one parishes, viz. ten in the Dominican's quarter, four in that of the Jesuits, and seven in that of the Capuchins.

The exports from this island are, sugars white and brown, cotton, ginger, indigo, cocoa, aloes, pimento, plantains, and other tropical fruits, with coffee, fenna, and cassia. They raise manife, all sorts of Indian grain, potatoes, yams, bananas, pine apples, &c. and the most delicious fallads. They have a good many black cattle, horses, and hogs, and plenty of all sorts of poultry; but the inhabitants are so numerous, that all kinds of provisions imported yield a good, and very often an immense profit, such as beef, pork, butter, dried fish, hams, tongues, sausages, cheese, corn, and dried fruit of all sorts that Europe affords, with wax, tallow, wines, brandy, drams, and all things that can contribute to the use or pleasures of the table; likewise all sorts of hardware, guns, powder, ball, and every implement necessary for a plantation; together with all sorts of wearing apparel and household furniture. From all the French islands, a great article of their exports is molasses. As rum is absolutely prohibited from being imported into France, (on account that brandy is one of their staple commodities), they make no more rum than what is used by their slaves, the molasses they sell to the Dutch, and they to the New Englanders. This island has few wild quadrupeds, plenty of the feathered creation, and of the reptile kind, with some enormous and venomous serpents, whose bites often prove mortal; they have various kinds of these creatures; some of them lurk in the woods, and others among coffee or bushes, which makes travelling both inconvenient and dangerous, especially in the night. The principal harbour in Martinico is the great bay of Fort Royal, which is large and open, and the entrance free from rocks: On the south side of it, about a league from the entrance, is Isle des Ramiers, or Pigeon Island; it is a very high rock, on the top of which is a fort, mounted with some very heavy cannon. It is one of the defences of the harbour, but situated too much on one side to prevent ships from entering the Bay. Along the shore of both sides are several little forts and batteries, and good anchoring ground close to the north shore, from twenty to forty fathoms water; and a little farther out, from a hundred to an hundred and fifty. The great strength of this Bay, and indeed of the whole island, is Fort Royal: it is situated on the north side upon a very high rock, projecting a very considerable way into the Bay: it is a peninsula, joined to the island by a neck of low land, over which the rock is at least sixteen fathoms high: Every where else this rock (which is about twenty fathoms broad) is surrounded by the sea. The neck of land is defended by two demi-bastions, and a small half-moon covering the curtain, with a ditch filled with water, a covered way palisadoed, and a glacis. The gate of the fort is on the

the side of a demi bastion, opening upon the rock, with a narrow stair-case, cut in the rock, leading to a platform, on which are some pieces of cannon. This stair-case brings you to another of a similar nature, which conducts you to a second platform mounted with cannon. The side of the fort towards the rock is secured by a double wall well flanked. On the side of the sea is only a parapet, with embrasures: A third platform, on which there is cannon mounted, commands the town and bay. It would be impossible to attack this Fort with ships. As the wind blows always out of the harbour, the ships must frequently tack before they could get near; all which time they must be exposed to the cannon and mortars of the Fort; and though the peninsula slopes towards the point, yet it is even there so high that ships could do little execution. On the land-side the fort is commanded by three rising grounds, viz. Morne Tortenfon, Morne Garnier, and Morne Capuchin; on these eminences are redoubts; but their chief strength is the difficulty of approaching them. Behind the Fort is an excellent small harbour, called the Caranage, where any ships retire to in case of an attack, and will even admit of a ship of 74 guns, as was the case in 1759. The Town of Fort Royal is to the leeward of the Fort, is situated partly on a hill, and partly on a plain at the bottom of it: is extremely well watered by canals cut through the town, and well built. Here the governor of the Fort, with many wealthy merchants, reside, and from the commodiousness of the port carry on a very considerable traffic. But the most considerable town in the island, or indeed in any of the Caribbees, is St Pierre, or St Peter's, situated on a fine open bay on the leewardmost part of the island: viewed from the sea, it seems seated at the foot of a steep mountain; but as you approach, the hills remove to a greater distance: it is of the form of a crescent, remarkably well built, and the streets well laid out; towards the middle of it is a small oblong fort, built of good stone, with a strong battery of cannon, which commands the road. The opposite side, where the Place d'Armes lies, is flanked at each end with a round tower, and embrasures for four pieces of cannon. The wall joining these towers is also bored for cannon, but has neither ditch, palisade, nor covered way; the fort is washed by the river Roxolano, or St Peter's River: the gate lies at the east, and opens into a long court, flanked on the north, which looks towards the country, by a palisaded wall; and on the south, or towards the sea, by a wall planted with artillery; within the fort are a chapel, magazines, and barracks for the soldiers. Here the Captain-General of all the French Caribbee Islands resides, with all the Royal courts and officers, which of itself would make it a place of prodigious consequence, did not some other circumstances concur to aggrandize it. Its trade is very great, but all the ships loaded with the produce of the French colonies in this part of the world are obliged to repair to this port and clear out, before they dare proceed for Europe. By this means all the produce of their colonies becomes blended under the name of Martinico. The town is divided into three quarters, St Peter's, La Mouillage, and La Galere, before which

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are several strong batteries of cannon and mortars. Here are two parish-churches, a Dominican convent, another of Jesuits, a nunnery, and several hospitals; the whole is built of a fine white stone, and makes a noble appearance. The road is close to the town, and ships may come close to the Fort, is very safe and good anchorage, except in the middle, where is a sharp rock which cuts the cables. This place has suffered much by hurricanes and inundations, a quarter of the town being once carried off by a river that runs through it. In the mountains near this place is a redoubt, similar to that of the Dos d'Ane in Guadaloupe. An attempt was made upon this island by the English in 1693, but miscarried. The same success attended the attempt in 1759, under the command of General Hopson.

A List of the General and Staff-Officers, and Land Forces, on the Expedition against the Island of Martinico in 1762.

Commander in Chief, Major General, the Hon. Robert Monckton.
 Brigadier-Generals, { Colonel William Haviland.
 William Rufane.
 Francis Grant.
 John Lord Rollo.
 Hunt Walfsh
 Adjutant-General, Lieutenant-Colonel John Darby.
 Quartermaster-General, Major Alexander Monypenny.

The Army was composed of several Corps, as follows:

1st Reg.	four companies,			
22d	—			
4th,	— five companies,	}	2630	{ Brought from North America by Lord Rollo.
5th,	— six companies,			
7th,	— 1st Battalion,			
4th,	— four companies,	}	}	{ From the island of Guadaloupe.
5th,	— one company,			
10th,	—			
Royal		}	1734	{ From the island of Antigua.
6th,	— four companies,			
8th,	—			
6th,	— 2 Battalions,	}	2601	{ From Belleisle.
8th,	— Light Infantry,			
8th,	—			
	Carried forward,		6965	

Brought forward,		6965
15th,	} 2d Battalion,	7000
17th,		
27th,		
28th,		
35th,		
40th,		
42d,	} 3d Battalion,	{ From North America by the Commander in Chief.
43d,		
48th,		
60th,		
Royal Artillery, two companies,		
Engineers, one Brigade,		
Total,		13965

The Fleet was commanded by Rear-Admiral Rodney, which, when joined by Sir James Douglas, and the convoys to the different embarkations, consisted of the following ships :

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Marlborough,	70	G. B. Rodney, Rear-Admiral of the Blue.
		Capt. John Holwall.
Dublin,	74	Sir James Douglas, Commodore
Foudroyant,	84	Capt. Ed. Gascoigne.
Dragon,	74	Robert Duff.
Temeraire,	74	Hon. A. J. Hervey.
Culloden,	74	Matt. Barton.
Temple,	70	John Barker.
Vanguard,	70	Lewis O'Brien.
Modeste,	64	Rob. Swanton.
Stirling Castle,	64	Hon. R. B. Walsingham.
Devonshire,	64	Mic. Everitt.
Raisonable,	64	Geo. Darby.
Alcide,	64	Mol. Shuldham.
Nottingham,	60	Tho. Hankerson.
Rochester,	50	Sam. Marshall.
Sutherland,	50	Tho. Burnet.
Norwich,	50	Julian Legge.
Falkland,	50	Wm M'Cleverty.
		F. S. Drake.
F R I G A T E S.		
Woolwich,	44	Wm Baine.
Penzance,	44	John Boyd.
Dover,	40	Chaloner Ogle.
Echo,	32	John Laforey.
Stag,	32	H. Angel.
Repulse,	32	J. C. Allen.

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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Afcon,	28	Capt. P. H. Ourry.
Crescent,	28	Tho. Collingwood.
Lizard,	28	Ja. Doake.
Levant,	28	Wm Tucker.
Nightingale,	20	Ja. Campbell.
Fowey,	20	Jos. Meade.
Greyhound,	20	Tho. Francis.
Rose,	20	Francis Banks.

	<i>SLOOPs.</i>	
Antigua,	10	J. N. P. Nott.
Barbadoes,	10	Stair Douglas.
Ferret,	16	J. Alms.
Virgin,	12	J. Brisbane.
Zephyr,	12	J. Botherell.

	<i>BOMB-KETCHES.</i>	
Basilisk,	8	Robert Brice.
Thunder,	8	R. Haswell.
Grenada,	8	Ja. Hawker.
Infernal,	8	Ja. Mackenzie.

The crews of the above squadron amounted to near 11,000.

An Account of all the French Brass and Iron Guns, Mortars, Shot, Shells, Powder, Ordnance, Stores, and Habiliaments of War, taken at the different Posts, Batteries, and fortified Redoubts, by his Majesty's Troops, from the time of their landing at St Anne's Bay the 10th of January, to the Surrender of the Citadel and Garrison of Fort-Royal the 5th February 1762, with the places where taken.

St Ann's bay.

Iron ordnance, 5 eighteen pounders, unserviceable.

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Iron ordnance, 3 eighteen pounders, unserviceable.

Round shot, 210, serviceable.

On three batteries near Cas des Navires.

Iron ordnance, 1 eighteen pounder, serviceable.

Ditto,	1 ditto,	{ Unserviceable.
Ditto,	4 sixteen ditto,	

On five batteries at Morne Tartinson.

Iron ordnance, 1 twelve pounder, serviceable.

4 four pounders, ditto.

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Brads mortars, 2 seven inches, serviceable.
 Round shot, 25 four pounders, ditto.
 Muskets of different sorts, 125, ditto.
 — — — 27, unserviceable
 Bayonets, 32, ditto.
 Powder barrels, 47, serviceable.
 Musket flints, 1800, ditto.

On or near Morne Garnier.

Iron ordnance, 6 twenty-six pounders, serviceable.
 2 twelve pounders, ditto.
 1 twenty-six pounder, } Unserviceable.
 4 four pounders, }
 Brads ordnance, 2 six pounders, }
 Ditto mortars, thirteen inches, 2, }
 Shells empty, thirteen inch, 162, }
 Musket balls, 38 cwt. }
 Ditto flints, 300 cwt. } Serviceable.
 Powder barrels, 76, }
 Match, 1 cwt. }
 Musket catridges, 2800, }
 Fuzes fixed, 120, inch, }
 Shot for six pounders, round fixed, 97, }
 grape fixed, 24, }

On the river Monsieur, eight redoubts.

Iron ordnance, 2 eighteen pounders, }
 4 sixteen, } Unserviceable,
 2 twelve, }
 2 six, }
 17 three, }
 Round shot, 50 eighteen pounders, }
 365 sixteen, }
 50 twelve, }
 20 six, } Serviceable.
 468 three, }
 Musket ball, 6 cwt. and a half, }
 Ditto catridges, 14,000, }
 Powder, 5 barrels, }

In Fort-Royal.

Iron ordnance, 13 thirty-six pounders, }
 30 twenty-four ditto, } Serviceable.
 24 eighteen ditto, }
 21 one and a half ditto, }
 1 thirty-six pounder, }
 4 twenty-four ditto, } Unserviceable.
 12 eighteen ditto, }
 Brads ordnance, 1 eight pounder, serviceable.

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A Return of the Guns, Mortars, Shot, Shells, Powder, and Ordnance Stores, taken at the several Batteries and Magazines on the Heights and Town of St Pierre, in the Island of Martinico.

Iron ordnance,	-	173	Musket flints,	-	15,500
Brass mortars,	-	4	Paper cartridges, empty,	-	6665
Barrels of powder,	-	331 $\frac{1}{2}$	Ditto, filled,	-	1123
Round shot,	-	18,478	Double-headed shot,	-	415
Shells empty,	-	423	Spare standing carriages	-	12
Ditto filled,	-	70	Langrage shot in bags,	-	1670
Carcasses fixed,	-	102	Muskets of different forts,	-	725
Musket ball,	-	cwt 152 $\frac{1}{2}$	Match,	-	cwt, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Ditto cartridges,	-	110,600	Linestocks,	-	44
Fuzes,	-	420	Powder horns,	-	103
Paterraroos,	-	5	Priming irons,	-	101
Spunges with staves,	-	203	Tin powder-measures, dif-	-	
Laddles with ditto,	-	106	ferent forts,	-	42
Handspikes,	-	413	Hammers for vents,	-	3
Paper reams, fine,	-	42	Double wood blocks, strap-	-	
Ditto cartridge,	-	12	ped,	-	17
Tarred rope, small coils,	-	12	Suit, small barrels,	-	3
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Old sails,	-	2	Truck carriages for carry-	
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jars,	-	8	Truck wheels, spare,	46
Spades and shovels,	-	50	Furnaces for heating shot,	2
Sheet lead,	- cwt,	5	Triangle guns,	3
Lanterns,	-	5	Small iron ball for grape,	
Empty flannel cartridges,	850		cwt,	3½
Spunge tacks,	-	2000	Mortar bed, spare, 9½ inch,	1
Wads of different forts,	2700		Sledge hammers,	2
Iron crows,	-	8	Stink pots,	60
Spare ramrods for muskets,			Musketoons,	45
wood,	-	400	Pistols,	30

Articles of Capitulation of the Citadel of Fort Royal, in the Island of Martinico, the 4th of February 1762.

ARTICLE 1. The commanding officer of the citadel shall march out at the head of the garrison, composed of troops detached from the marine, the royal grenadiers, cannoniers, bombardiers, and Swifs; the different detachments of militia and free-booters, and the other volunteers, with the honours of war, drums beating, lighted match, colours flying, two pieces of cannon, and three rounds of ammunition each.

Ans. The troops of his Most Christian Majesty in garrison shall march out with drums beating, colours flying, and two pieces of cannon, two rounds of ammunition, and shall be embarked and sent to France as soon as possible, at the expence of his Britannic Majesty. The militia, free-booters, and others belonging to the island, shall lay down their arms, and be prisoners of war, until the fate of it be determined.

ART. 2. The garrison shall be sent to the port of Rochefort in France, by the most short and expeditious way, at the expence and in the ships of his Britannic Majesty.

Ans. Answered in the first.

ART. 3. The said garrison shall be lodged and maintained in the town of Fort-Royal till their departure, at the expence of his Britannic Majesty.

Ans. They shall be maintained at the expence of his Britannic Majesty, and shall be embarked as in the first article.

ART. 4. That it shall be lawful for the officers, creoles, and others, to go into the island, and stay there as long as it shall be necessary to settle their affairs.

Ans. A reasonable time will be allowed to the officers to settle their affairs, they behaving according to the rules of war.

ART. 5. That the officers and others who have effects in the country shall keep them.

Ans. Granted.

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ART. 6. That the officers shall take their servants along with them.
ANS. Granted.

ART. 7. That the militia and other inhabitants, that now make part of the said garrison, may retire to their homes, with their servants likewise

ANS. Answered in the first article.

ART. 8. That the volunteers of St Vincent, who came here to the succour of the place, shall be furnished with a boat and provisions, to carry them home again, with their servants, arms, and baggage, as soon as possible.

ANS. To remain prisoners of war.

ART. 9. That the inhabitants likewise shall be furnished with shallops or boats, to carry them to the different quarters of the island.

ANS. Refused.

ART. 10. That the sick and wounded shall be removed to the hospital of this city, to be there taken care of by our own surgeons, till they are perfectly recovered; and that the commissary of his Britannic Majesty shall take care to furnish them with subsistence.

ANS. They shall be taken the same care of as our own men, and may be attended by their surgeons.

ART. 11. That the said hospital shall take away with them their medicines, and all their utensils and effects in general.

ANS. Granted.

ART. 12. That the chaplain of the troops shall be permitted to administer spiritual succours to the sick, as well as others of the troops, and publicly to bury the dead without molestation.

ANS. Granted.

ART. 13. That the said sick shall, after their recovery, follow the fortune of their respective corps, as well as those who shall be actually in the hospitals without the town.

ANS. Granted.

ART. 14. That there shall be a general inventory taken by each party, of the artillery, ammunition, provisions, and other effects within the place.

ANS. Granted.

ART. 15. That the English prisoners detained in this citadel shall be exchanged for ours. Among others, M. de Caponé, major of this citadel and island, shall be included in the exchange, to follow the fortune of the officers of the place.

ANS. Refused

ART. 16. That the effects of the officers and men belonging to the Royal Grenadiers, which were left upon Morne Garnée, shall be restored to them.

ANS. It cannot be complied with, as it will be impossible to recover them.

ART. 17. That the armed free negroes and mulattoes that entered into the citadel as attendants on the companies of militia, shall go out likewise with the said companies.

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Ans. They shall remain prisoners of war until the fate of the island is determined.

ART. 18. That three days shall be granted for the evacuation of the place, at the end of which time the gate shall be delivered up to the troops of his Britannic Majesty, whilst the garrison shall march out.

Ans. The gate of the fort shall be given up to the troops of his Britannic Majesty this evening; and the French garrison shall march out at nine to-morrow morning.

ART. 19. That before the capitulation is settled, the commanding officer of the place shall be permitted to communicate it to the general; and in the mean time there shall be a suspension of arms, and that all the works shall cease on both sides.

Ans. After the capitulation is signed, and the gate of the fort possessed by the British troops, the commandant shall be allowed to acquaint his general with it.

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ROBERT MONCKTON.
G. B. RODNEY.

Capitulation demanded by the Inhabitants of the Island of Martinico, represented by M. D'Aleffe, Knight, Seign. Desfragny La Pierre, Captain of Horse, and Fereyre, Captain of Infantry of Militia, furnished with full powers from Nine Quarters of this Island.

To their Excellencies Messieurs Monckton and Rodney, Generals by Land and Sea of his Britannic Majesty,

ARTICLE 1. The inhabitants shall quit their posts with two field-pieces, their arms, colours flying, drums beating, matches lighted, and shall have all the honours of war.

ANSWER. The inhabitants shall march out of all their garrisons and posts, (none excepted), with their arms, and colours flying, upon condition that they afterwards lay them down; and that all the forts, garrisons, posts, and batteries of cannon and mortars, with all arms, ammunition, and implements of war, be delivered to proper persons appointed by us to receive them.

ART. 2. The inhabitants of the islands of St Lucia and St Vincent, who are come to the assistance of this island, shall have the liberty to retire with their arms and baggage, and shall be furnished with a vessel to carry them to their own islands, with their servants which they have brought with them, as also with provision necessary for the voyage.

Ans. They must remain prisoners of war, as those of St Vincent's in the capitulation of Fort Royal.

ART. 3. The inhabitants shall have free exercise of their religion, the priests, friars, and nuns, shall be preserved in their cures and convents, and it shall be permitted to the superiors of the order, to send for

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Ans. Granted.

ART. 4. They shall be strictly neuter, and shall not be obliged to take arms against his Most Christian Majesty, nor even against any other power.

Ans. They become subjects to his Britannic Majesty, and must take the oath of allegiance; but shall not be obliged to take arms against his Most Christian Majesty, until a peace may determine the fate of the island.

ART. 5. They shall preserve their civil government, their laws, customs, and ordonnances; justice shall be administered by the same officers who are now in employment; and there shall be a regulation made for the interior police between the Governor of his Britannic Majesty and the inhabitants: and in case that at the peace the island should be ceded to the King of Great Britain, it shall be allowed to the inhabitants to preserve their political government, or to accept that of Antigua or St Christopher's.

Ans. They become British subjects (as in the preceding article) but shall continue to be governed by their present laws, until his Majesty's pleasure be known.

ART. 6. The inhabitants, as also the religious orders of both sexes, shall be maintained in the property of their effects, moveable and immoveable, of what nature soever, and shall be preserved in their privileges, rights, honours, and exemptions; their free negroes and mulattoes shall have the entire enjoyment of their liberty.

Ans. Granted to the religious orders: The inhabitants being subjects of Great Britain, will enjoy their properties, and the same privileges as in the other his Majesty's Leeward Islands.

ART. 7. They shall not pay to his Majesty any other duties than those which have been paid hitherto to his Most Christian Majesty; and the capitation of negroes on the same footing it is paid at present, without any other charges or imposts; and the expences of justice, pensions to curates, and other occasional expences, shall be paid by the domain of his Britannic Majesty, as they were by that of his Most Christian Majesty.

Ans. Answered in the 6th article, in what regards the inhabitants.

ART. 8. & 9. The prisoners taken during the siege shall be restored on both sides; the free mulattoes, as well as the negroes, which shall have been taken, shall be restored as prisoners of war, and shall not be treated as slaves.

Ans. The inhabitants and mulattoes, now prisoners, will become British subjects, upon the submission of the whole island, and will enjoy the benefit of it. The negroes which have been taken in arms are deemed slaves.

ART. 10. The subjects of Great Britain who have taken refuge in the island for crimes, or condemned to punishments, shall have the liberty of retiring.

Ans. Refused.

ART. 11. No others than the inhabitants resident in this island, shall, till the peace, possess any estates, either by acquisition, agreement, or otherwise: but in case at the peace, the country shall be ceded to the King of Great Britain, then it shall be permitted to the inhabitants not willing to become his subjects, to sell their estates, moveables, and immoveables, to whom they please, and retire where they shall think proper, in which case they shall be allowed convenient time.

Ans. All subjects of Great Britain may possess any lands or houses by purchase. The remainder of this article granted, provided they sell to British subjects.

ART. 12. In case any exchanges shall be thought of at the peace, their Most Christian and Britannic Majesties are intreated to give the preference to this island.

Ans. This will depend upon his Britannic Majesty's pleasure.

ART. 13. The inhabitants shall have liberty of retiring; we say, of sending their children to France for their education. The wives of officers and others, out of the island, shall have liberty of retiring with their effects, and the number of servants suitable to their rank.

Ans. The liberty of sending their children to France to be educated, depends on the King's pleasure. The rest granted.

ART. 14. The government shall procure for the inhabitants the vent for their commodities, which shall be looked upon as national commodities, and of consequence shall have entry in England.

Ans. Granted; the island producing nothing but what may be imported into England.

ART. 15. The inhabitants shall not be obliged to find quarters for the troops, or to do any work on the fortifications.

Ans. The inhabitants must furnish barracks or quarters for the King's troops in the several districts of the island.

ART. 16. The widows and others, absent by sickness, who shall not have signed the capitulation, shall have a time fixed for doing it.

Ans. Granted; on condition that they sign the capitulation in one month from this date.

ART. 17. Vessels shall be granted to the freebooters and others who have effects in this country, and are willing to leave it, to retire.

Ans. Granted to France, but no where else.

ART. 18. It shall be permitted to give freedom to negro and mulatto slaves, as a recompence for their good services, according to custom.

Ans. Granted, to servants.

ART. 19. The inhabitants and merchants shall enjoy all their privileges of commerce as the subjects of Great Britain.

Ans. Granted, so that it does not affect the privileges of particular companies established in England, or the laws of the kingdom, which prohibit the carrying on trade in any other than British bottoms.

ART. 20. It shall always be permitted to the inhabitants, to continue to make white and clayed sugar, as they have been used to.

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Ans. Granted, they paying duty in proportion to their superior value to the common quality of the Muscovado sugar.

ART. 21. The sea-vessels, as well ships as boats or schooners, which are sunk or afloat, and which have not been taken, shall remain to their owners.

Ans. Refused to all privateers and ships trading to distant ports. Granted to such as are employed in passing to and from the different ports of the island.

ART. 22. The money which is now made use of shall remain upon the same footing, without being susceptible either of augmentation or diminution.

Ans. Granted.

D' ALESSO.

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MAUBOIX.

DORIENTERSACK, for
DORIENT HUBERT, and
DORIENT CAMPAGNE.

Demanded, All archives and papers, which may be necessary or relative to the government of the island, to be faithfully given up. Leave is granted to the gentlemen of the island to keep necessary arms for the defence of their plantations.

ROBERT MONCKTON.

G. B. RODNEY.

Settled, agreed, and closed by us, the deputies, representatives, and bearers of the powers from the major part of the quarters composing this colony in the city of Fort Royal, Martinico, this seventh day of February 1762.

D' ALESSO, P FERIERE.

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ROBERT MONCKTON.

G. B. RODNEY.

Deputies.

DORIENTERSACK. BERLAND. MAUBOIX.

Articles of Capitulation for the Island of Martinico.

PRELIMINARY ARTICLE.

A suspension of arms shall be agreed on for fifteen days; at the expiration of which the following capitulation shall take place, if no succour arrives.

ANSWER. Twenty-four hours shall be allowed to the General to accede to the terms offered, from the time Mess. de Bournan and De la Touche shall be set on shore at St Peter's; and, if accepted of, the troops of his Britannic Majesty shall be immediately put in possession of such forts and posts as his Britannic Majesty's General shall think fit to take.

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ARTICLE 1. All the forts and posts of the island shall be evacuated by the troops of his Most Christian Majesty, whether regular or militia, or independent companies of free-booters, or livery servants; they shall march out with four field-pieces, their arms, two rounds per man, their ensigns or colours flying, drums beating, and all the honours of war; after which the said forts and posts shall be occupied by the troops of his Britannic Majesty.

Ans. The troops and inhabitants shall march out of all their garisons and posts with their arms, drums beating, colours flying, and the troops to have four pieces of cannon, with two rounds each, and two rounds per man, upon condition that the inhabitants afterwards lay down their arms, and all the forts, posts, batteries of cannon, or mortars, with all arms, ammunition, and implements of war, shall be delivered up to proper persons appointed by us to receive them.

ART. 2 Transport vessels shall be provided at the expence of his Britannic Majesty, sufficiently victualled, to carry to the Grenades the above-mentioned regular troops, and their officers and commanders, with the four pieces of cannon, arms, baggage, and in general all the effects of the said officers and troops.

Ans. Granted to France only.

ART. 3. M. Rouille, governor of Martinico, the King's lieutenants of the said island, the officers of the staff, engineers, and sub-engineers, shall return to France in the vessels, and at the charge of his Britannic Majesty.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 4. There shall in like manner be provided, at the charges of his Britannic Majesty, a vessel, and the necessary victualling, to carry to the Grenades M. le Vassor de la Touche, commandant-general for his Most Christian Majesty of the French leeward islands in America, his lady, and all persons with him engaged in the King's service, or belonging to his household, with all their effects.

Ans. Granted to France, the Grenades being blocked up.

ART. 5. M. de Rochemore, inspector of the fortifications and artillery in this island, shall, in like manner, be conveyed to the Grenades, in same ship with the persons of his retinue engaged in the service of the king, their domestics, and effects.

Ans. Granted to France.

ART. 6. There shall be made by two commissaries, who shall be named for that purpose, one of each nation, an exact inventory of all the effects which shall be found to belong to his Most Christian Majesty in the arsenals, in the magazines, upon the batteries, and in general, of all arms, utensils, and ammunitions of war, to be delivered up to the commanding officer of his Britannic Majesty.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 7. Merchandizes, not being arms or munitions of war, which may be found lodged in the said magazines, or upon the said batteries, shall not be made a part of the said inventory, unless it be in order to their being restored to their true owners.

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Ans. All military stores, and others employed as such, become his Britannic Majesty's.

ART. 8. All the prisoners made during the siege, or at sea before the siege, of whatever nation or quality, shall be restored on either side; and those made in the citadel, if they be troops, shall follow the fortune of the other troops; and if inhabitants, shall follow the fortune of the other inhabitants.

Ans. The troops, according to the cartel; the inhabitants will be released upon the signing of this capitulation.

ART. 9. The free negroes and mulattoes made prisoners of war shall be treated as such, and restored like the other prisoners, in order to continuing to enjoy their liberty.

Ans. All negroes taken in arms are deemed slaves. The rest granted.

ART. 10. The Sieur Nadau Dutreil, de la Potterie, and Cornette, prisoners of state, shall likewise be conducted at the expence and in the ships of his Britannic Majesty, to the island of the Grenades, to be delivered into the hands of M. le Vassor de la Touche.

Ans. Messieurs de la Potterie and Cornette shall be delivered up when taken; but M. Nadau having had our promise (immediately upon his being made prisoner) to procure him a passage to France, and to allow him a reasonable time to settle his affairs, he has three months from the date hereof for that purpose.

ART. 11. The island of Martinico shall remain in the hands of his Britannic Majesty, till such time as its condition shall have been determined by treaty made between the two powers, without the inhabitants being compelled, in any case, to take up arms, either against the King of France, or against his allies, or even against any other power.

Ans. They become subjects of his Britannic Majesty, and must take the oath of allegiance; but shall not be obliged to take arms against his Most Christian Majesty, until a peace may determine the fate of the island.

ART. 12. All the inhabitants of Martinico, either present or absent, even those that are engaged in his Most Christian Majesty's service, as well as all religious houses and communities, shall be maintained and preserved in the possession and propriety of their real and personal estates and effects, being actually in Martinico, or in any other island; and the slaves which have been taken from them, during the siege, shall be restored to them.

Ans. The inhabitants, as well as the religious orders, will enjoy their properties; and as they become British subjects, they will enjoy the same privileges as his Majesty's other Leeward islands. In regard to the slaves, answered in the ninth article.

ART. 13. The boats or other vessels of Martinico, which are actually out at sea, or in neutral ports, whether they be equipped for war or not, shall be permitted to return into the ports or roads of this island, upon the declaration to be made by the owners thereof, of their intending to send them immediate orders to return, and upon their

their giving personal security, that the said vessels shall make no attempt upon any English ship. In consideration of which declaration passports shall be granted them, that they may return in all security.

Ans. Refused, as foreign to the capitulation; but any applications which may afterwards be made on this head shall be considered, according to the rules of justice and of war.

ART. 14. The inhabitants of Martinico shall freely and publicly exercise their religion; the priests, friars, and nuns, shall be maintained in the public exercise of their functions, and in the enjoyment of their privileges, prerogatives, and exemptions.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 15. The superior, as well as inferior judges, shall likewise be maintained in their functions, privileges, and prerogatives; they shall continue to administer justice to the inhabitants of this island, according to the laws, ordinances, customs, and uses which have been followed hitherto. No foreigner shall be allowed to sit in the council as a judge; but if any place of the magistracy becomes vacant, the superior council of Martinico shall dispose of it provisionally only, and the person chosen by them shall perform the duties of it, till the one or the other of the two courts shall otherwise settle it, after the condition of Martinico shall have been fixed by a treaty between them.

Ans. They become British subjects; but shall continue to be governed by their present laws, until his Majesty's pleasure be known.

ART. 16. M. le Baron d' Huart, commanding the troops and militia of this island, as well as M. Bouran, Major-General, shall be conveyed to the Grenades, in the same vessel in which the Royal Grenadiers are to be embarked, together with their domestics and effects, as well as those of all the officers of the same corps. The said officers shall have leave to collect together the effects which are dispersed in divers parts of the island; and the necessary time for the recovery of them shall be allowed them. Orders shall be given to the inhabitants that are indebted to the officers of this corps, to pay them before their departure. The officers shall likewise be bound to discharge the debts they have contracted in the island.

Ans. They shall be sent to France. The rest granted.

ART. 17. All the land and sea officers, who find themselves in the island, either on actual duty or with leave, shall have a year's time to settle all affairs they may have there.

Ans. A proper time will be allowed to such as have estates upon the island, with the usual restrictions; and such as shall have M. De la Touche, the Governor-General, his leave.

ART. 18. The nobility shall continue to enjoy all the privileges and exemptions which have always been granted them.

Ans. Granted; so that it is not inconsistent with the British laws.

ART. 19. The slaves that have been made free during the siege, or to whom their freedom has been promised, shall be reputed and declared free; and they shall peaceably enjoy their state of freedom.

Ans. Granted.

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ART. 1. The inhabitants of the island shall continue to be governed by their present laws, until his Majesty's pleasure be known.

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ART. 20. The duties of the poll-tax, those of importation and exportation, and, in general, all the duties established in this island, shall continue to be paid for the future, on the same footing as heretofore.

Ans. Answered in the fifteenth article.

ART. 21. As it is suitable to the glory and interest of every prince whatsoever, to make it publicly known, that he honours with a special protection all that bear the character of zeal, love, and loyalty for its king, it has been agreed, that the things furnished to the colony on occasion of the siege, either before or during the same, such as provisions, utensils, ammunition, arms, or money, shall continue to be considered as debts of the colony, just as they were, and ought to be, in its former state; consequently that the amounts of these supplies shall not cease to be reputed as debts of the colony itself, and which it must satisfy, into whatsoever hands it may pass, through the fortune of arms; that, considering the nature and quality of these debts, it is of his Britannic Majesty's dignity to grant them all manner of protection; consequently that they shall be paid out of the first funds that shall arise, as well from the poll tax as from the duties of importation and exportation on merchandises that are liable to them. To which purpose, the state of these debts shall be settled, and verified by M. Delariviere, Intendant of the American Leeward islands.

Ans. Will be settled by the generals on both sides, being foreign to the capitulation.

ART. 22. In virtue of the same principle, and considering the necessity of speedily bringing provisions to this colony, it has likewise been agreed on, that such merchants of the town of St Pierre, as by orders from the intendant M. Delariviere, have entered into measures and engagements, to bring over thither provisions from the neutral islands, shall be permitted to fulfil their engagements, as well to save them from the damage they would suffer by it, as to procure to this island a more speedy supply; consequently two months shall be granted them, from the day of signing these presents, to complete their undertakings. But to avoid all abuses in this respect, M. Delariviere shall give a note of the nature and quantity of provisions which he had ordered to be procured from the neutrals: And as he promised and granted an exemption of all duties on this importation, the said exemption shall take place in the same manner as it was promised, and as it is actually practised, being a profit in which the colony and merchants have both their share.

Ans. All supplies whatever, that were engaged to be thrown into this island by any neutral power, for the support of his Most Christian Majesty's troops and colony, will be deemed legal prize, if taken by his Britannic Majesty's ships; and all engagements with neutral powers for such a supply, made before the reduction of this island, being void, no commerce for the future can be carried on but in British bottoms.

ART. 23. M. le Vassor De la Touche shall be allowed five of the inhabitants, whom he shall cause to be put on board such of the vessels

as are to transport his Most Christian Majesty's troops. His reasons for this demand are, that it imports all the powers not to grant any protection to any one who breaks through the allegiance and fidelity a subject owes to a king.

Ans. Cannot be allowed, as we have already granted them his Britannic Majesty's protection.

ART. 24. M Delariviere intendant, and M Guignard commissary-comptroller, of the marine in this island, shall be allowed time to settle all the parts of their respective administration, and to do whatever is absolutely necessary in that respect. A ship with provisions shall afterwards be furnished, at the expence of his Britannic Majesty, in order to convey to the Grenades the said intendant, his wife, children, secretaries, and servants, with all their effects. The said commissary-comptroller of the marine shall go on board the same ship, and shall be conveyed to the same island.

Ans. Granted; afterwards to be sent to France.

ART. 25. The persons employed in the administration of the domain of the marine, the classes and the finances of this island, who shall be willing to return to France, shall be transported thither, with their effects in the vessels, and at the charge of his Britannic Majesty.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 26. The public records shall be again forthwith deposited in their proper places; and the governor for his Britannic Majesty shall grant all protection in this respect.

Ans. They must be delivered to such persons as the general shall appoint to receive them.

ART. 27. With regard to any papers of accounts, they shall again be put into the hands of the proper accountants, that they may be enabled to proceed to the rendering their accounts, and to vouch them by such pieces as are necessary for their discharge.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 28. The inhabitants, merchants, and other private persons, resident or not, shall have leave to go to St Domingo, or to Louisiana, with their negroes and effects, in cartel ships, at their own expence.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 29. If any of the grenadier soldiers shall have a mind to remain in the island, or to make their escape, a protection and guard shall be granted, to prevent their deserting; and what remains of the said grenadiers shall be embarked complete.

Ans. Granted, except in particular cases.

ART. 30. The merchant-ships belonging to the French traders in Europe, which are at this time in the harbours and roads of this island, shall be preserved to their true proprietors, with the liberty of selling them, or of clearing them for France in ballast.

At Martinico, February 13. 1762.

LE VASSOR DE LA TOUCHE.

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Ans. Refused to all privateers and ships trading to distant ports. Granted to such as trade to and from the different ports of this island.

Done at Fort Royal, in the island of Martinico, this 13th day of February 1762.

G. B. RODNEY.
ROBERT MONCKTON.

Our loss upon this occasion was inconsiderable, considering the great strength of the country, and the numbers of the enemy. The following is an exact return of it :

			<i>Killed.</i>	<i>Wounded.</i>	<i>Missing.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Officers,	-	-	8	33	—	41
Serjeants,	-	-	3	19	—	22
Drummers,	-	-	—	5	—	5
Bombardiers,	-	-	—	1	—	1
Gunners,	-	-	—	1	—	1
Matrosses,	-	-	—	6	—	6
Rank and File,	-	-	87	332	11	430
			—	—	—	—
Total,	-	-	98	397	11	506

Note 187. Grenada island, and the Grenadines, or Grenadillos.

Grenada island lies in N. Lat. 12. W. Lon. 61. 40. situated forty leagues south of Martinico, and twenty-five from the continent of New Andalusia, to which it is nearer than any other of the Caribbees. It is near ten leagues long, not more than five broad, and upwards of thirty in circumference. Columbus, the first discoverer, gave it the name of Grenada, in honour of a province of that name in Spain. The great bay on the west, which gives it the figure of an irregular crescent, is formed by two points of land that run a good length into the sea, of which the northern is much the widest. The true entrance of this harbour is W. S. W. Its bottom is free from rocks, for the most part level, and so deep that the vessels may lie close to the shore. This island was by the Caribbeans always preferred to the rest of the Antilles, for its variety of game, and plenty of fish; they made many struggles to keep possession of the island, but were at last drove off it, and removed to St Vincent. At the harbour on the west side of the island is the town and fort of St Lewis. Here the governor resides, the courts of justice are held, and the assembly of the island meets. This port is spacious, and the anchorage good, and could contain a great number of ships safe from storms. The town was but indifferent, till it came into the possession of the English, who have made great additions to it. The fort is

situated on a high hill, and commands the town and road, but is itself commanded by some eminences not more than four hundred yards distance. It is a regular piece of fortification, but of no great strength. Grenada, from its situation, must be very hot; but, as in all other small islands, this heat is greatly tempered by the sea-breeze. Besides, its climate has some advantages peculiar to itself; the dry and rainy seasons are remarkably regular in their periods; the blast has not been hitherto known in the island; and, what is the happiest circumstance of all, it lies out of the tract of hurricanes, which, with respect to the security of the settlements on shore, and the safety of the navigation, is an inestimable benefit in this part of the world. Here are some very high mountains, but they are not many in number; the rest of the country is divided into plains and gentle eminences, which are capable of cultivation to the very top. Amongst the mountains is a medicinal spring, hot, and esteemed efficacious for palsies and weakneses, by bathing in it. The island is extremely well-watered, and, which is remarkable, its principal streams proceed from a large lake at the top of a high mountain, situated in the centre of the island, and flow down the sides of the mountain in different directions to the sea. Most of the hills furnish smaller brooks, and there are almost every where fine springs near the sea. River and sea fish, turtles, and wild fowl, are here in abundance. Here are plenty of horses and black cattle, and hogs, and all sorts of domestic poultry. The island produces sugar, cotton, coffee, and indigo, and all sorts of tropical fruits and roots, and is supposed to contain in sugar-land more than one third of what is in Martinico. There is good anchorage ground round the whole island, and on the east and west several small bays and creeks, commodious for vessels, and for landing and shipping goods. It has two excellent harbours, one of which we have already described. The next lies at the south-east extremity of the island, and is divided into the outward and inner port; the entrance into the former is three quarters of a mile broad, but becomes gradually wider, and is above a mile extent within; the entrance into the inner port is about a quarter of a mile in breadth, and grows also wider as you advance farther. It is, for the most part, about seven fathoms deep, and is excellent holding ground, being every where a soft oozy bottom. The ships here may lie alongside of the warehouses, and take in their loading with great ease and convenience; after which they can with very little trouble be towed into the outer harbour, which enjoys this peculiar advantage, that ships can sail either in or out with the common trade-wind.

GRENADINES, OR GRENADILLOS,

The principal of which are, Bequia, or little Martinico, Cannouan, Le Union, Cariauaou, Des Moustiques, Frigate, and Le Diamont, with many of lesser note, and form a cluster of islands from Grenada to the island of St Vincent, in a north and by east direction.

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Their number is not well known, as many of them are little better than rocks: However, there are said to be twenty-three capable of cultivation, and of producing cotton, coffee, and indigo, and some say sugar. The chief of them is Cariauaou, which still retains its Indian name; it is of a circular form, and is about seven miles in length and breadth. Here is an excellent harbour, and it is now tolerably well settled; its produce is coffee and cotton. They send three members to the assembly of Grenada. The island Bequia is likewise reckoned one of them, though within two leagues of St Vincent. It is the largest of them all, being above twelve leagues in circumference; and is said likewise to be the most fruitful, and to have a good port, in which the vessels navigating between Grenada and Martinico used to take shelter during the late war. This island is said to resemble Martinico in appearance; but it does so in a more disagreeable manner, by having some of the most venomous serpents in it.

Grenada, and the cluster of small islands near it, called the Grenadines, is now, excepting Jamaica, by far the most valuable colony that Great Britain possesses in the West Indies. It exports no less than twenty thousand hogsheads of sugar, and a proportionable quantity of rum, esteemed next in goodness to that in Jamaica, and by many thought equal to it. Besides, it produces coffee and cotton in greater abundance than all the rest of our islands taken together; its produce in these two latter articles being esteemed equal in value to one half of its sugars. Hence, it is evident, that its annual exports cannot amount to less than half a million Sterling; and, when it is considered, that this is paid for by the produce and manufactures of Great Britain, and by negro slaves, the property of British merchants, it may be easily conceived, what a mighty accession this new acquisition has made to the riches and trade of the mother country. From these considerations, it is to be lamented that Grenada is the only island (Jamaica excepted) that Great Britain possesses in the West Indies by the right of conquest, out of the great number of valuable ones taken last war, at the expence of so much blood and treasure. In Jamaica, the Spaniards, to a man, abandoned their settlements. In Grenada it was quite otherwise; by the treaty of peace the French settlers were allowed a certain time to consider whether they should retain their estates, and become British subjects, or depart the island, and sell their estates, provided it was to British subjects. Some have chosen the former, others the latter. Accordingly purchases have been made in the islands of Grenada and Cariauaou, to the amount of considerably more than a million Sterling; and as near one half of the island still remains in the hands of the French, and as it may be easily believed, that what was sold was disposed of at an under price, some judgement may be formed of the immense value of the whole.

Note 188. Description of the Island of St Lucia, and the Terms on which it capitulated.

ST LUCIA ISLAND,

One of the Caribbees, and so named because it was discovered on St Lucia's day, lies in N. Lat. 14. W. L. 60, 58. is near as large as Barbadoes, and only distant about six leagues from Martinico; the interior parts of the country are very mountainous; two of the mountains terminating in sharp points, are called the Pin heads of St Lucia: the sea coast is a fine fertile country, and well watered with rivers from the mountains, which has caused deep ravines or gullies in the lower parts of the country. This island produces the same kinds of vegetables as the other islands, and the coasts abound in good harbours and bays. It was first settled by the English in 1637, but they were expelled by the natives two years afterwards, supposed to be privately abetted to this by the Governor of Martinico. The French took possession of it in 1654, but the English having made a purchase of it from the natives in 1663 they drove off the French; but this new colony having been mostly cut off by diseases, they were obliged to abandon it. In 1719 the French granted the island to M. d'Etree, but by the representations of the British ambassador at the court of Madrid, the grant was recalled. In 1722, Geo. I. granted this island and St Vincent to the Duke of Montague, who was at the expence of L. 40,000 in settling the two islands. But the French came with a considerable force, and drove off his Grace's settlers, who were forced to retire to Antigua, the French asserting the island to be theirs. The island, by the peace of Aix la Chapell, was declared to be neutral, but the French, with their usual perfidy, settled the island, built a fort, and appointed a governor.

A List of the Fleet sent against the island of St Lucia, under the command of the Honourable Captain Hervey.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Dragon;	74	Capt. Hon. A. J. Hervey.
Norwich,	50	Wm M'Cleverty.
Penza ce,	40	J. Boyd.
Dover,	40	Chaloner Ogle.
Basilisk,	8	Rob. Brice.

Articles

Articles of Capitulation agreed on between the Hon. Augustus Hervey, Commander of a Squadron of his Majesty's Ships, employed off the islands of St Lucia and St Vincent, and Monsieur de Longueville, Commander and Governor of his Most Christian Majesty's Forces on the Island of St Lucia.

ART. 1. The troops of the Most Christian King, which are in the island of St Lucia, shall be allowed the same capitulation with the island of Martinico: They shall be supplied with a vessel and provisions to remove to the said island; they shall leave St Lucia with the honours of war, their arms and baggage, drums beating, matches lighted, and a field-piece, and so proceed to Martinico, with ten rounds for said field-piece; and they be allowed two days to bring their baggage from the redoubts.

ANS. The troops of his Most Christian Majesty shall march out of their garrisons and posts with the honours of war, and be allowed a field-piece of cannon, with four rounds, and lighted match; they shall be allowed forty-eight hours to take their baggage from the redoubts, and then be embarked at his Britannic Majesty's expence for Martinico, and from thence to France as soon as possible.

ART. 2. The inhabitants of this island ask the same terms, which have been granted to those of Martinico, by the late capitulation made with M. le Vassor our general.

ANS. The inhabitants of St Lucia shall immediately surrender up their arms, send in their names with the places of their abode, and submit themselves, at discretion, to his Britannic Majesty; but they shall not be obliged to take up arms against his Most Christian Majesty.

ART. 2. All forts, garrisons, posts, cannon, mortars, magazines of ammunition and provisions, and implements of war shall be delivered up, *bona fide*, to such persons as shall be appointed to receive them.

ANS. Granted.

ART. 4. The inhabitants shall have free exercise of their religion; their priests and nuns shall be reserved in their cures and convents, until his Britannic Majesty's pleasure is known.

ANS. Granted.

ART. 5. All archives and papers which may be necessary or relative to the government of the island, to be faithfully given up; as also, all plans of the island, fortifications, harbours, bays, &c.

ANS. Granted.

ART. 6. All vessels whatsoever, that have been employed on any other voyage, or on any other account, than merely transporting the produce of this island from one place to another of this island, or carrying such produce from this island to the island of Martinico only, shall be seized by his Majesty's ships at St Lucia.

ANS. Granted.

Dated on board his Majesty's ship Dragon at St Lucia, Feb. 26. 1762.

A. HERVEY.

LONGUEVILLE.

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Note 189. Description of the Island of St Vincent.

St VINCENT'S,

One of the Caribbees, lies in N. Lat. 13. deg. 30 min. W. Long. 61 deg. about eight leagues long and six broad. This was the usual place of rendezvous for the Caribbeans, when they were to go against their irreconcilable enemies on the continent, the Arovages, or to make incursions on the English settlements. There are a considerable number of the Caribbeans yet on this island, who now live very quietly, in the same manner as those in Dominico. This island is mountainous in the interior parts, but towards the sea coast the soil is good, and the country more plain and capable of improvement. The warmth of the climate is tempered by the sea-breezes, so that it is accounted very healthy and agreeable. Amongst the hills are several pleasant vallies, and at the bottoms of the mountains some extensive plains. No island is better watered than St Vincent's, many rivulets taking their rise in the mountains, and shaping their courses from both sides to the sea. There are also several fine springs at a small distance from the sea, the slope to which is so easy and regular, that there are hardly any marshes, or standing water in the island. It has however one disadvantage, it has no harbours, and but one good bay, called St Antonio, which is deep and sandy, and where ships lie safely and commodiously. The sugar cane seems to be a native of this island, for it grows wild here; indigo thrives to admiration: they have plenty of pine-apples, melons, and all sorts of tropical fruits; plenty of black cattle, hogs, and poultry. When the French were settled here, they raised no sugar at all, but every other commodity peculiar to the West Indies; by the help of which they carried on a considerable trade with the other islands. Since it has been in the possession of the English, large sugar-works have been erected, and considerable quantities exported; and the colony is at present in a very flourishing state. It was first settled by the English, but the French drove them off. In 1722 it was granted to the Duke of Montague, but the French from Martinico the year following drove off the settlers. Although a declared mutual island, the French took possession of it and appointed a Governor; but it was taken in 1762, and retained at the peace, and added to the government of Grenada.

Note 190. A List of the French Squadron under M. de Bleanac, in the West Indies, in 1762.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Companies of Infantry on board.</i>
Le Duc de Burgoyne,	80	7
Le Defenseur,	74	7
L' Hector,	74	6
Le Diademe,	74	6
Le Prothée,	64	5

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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Companies of Infantry on board.</i>
Brought forward,		31
Le Dragon,	64	5
Le Brilliant,	64	5
Le Zephire,	32	3
Le Diligente,	32	3
L' Opale,	26	3
La Calypso,	16	1

51 near 3000 men.

Note 191. A List of the Squadron detached by Rear-Admiral Rodney to Jamaica, under the command of Sir James Douglas, 1762.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Dublin,	74	{ Sir James Douglas, Commodore. Capt. Ed. Gafcoigne.
Culloden,	74	John Barker.
Dragon,	74	Hon. A J. Hervey.
Temeraire,	74	Matt. Barton.
Temple,	70	Jul. Legge.
Devonshire,	66	Sam. Marshall.
Alcide,	64	Tho. Hankerson.
Stirling Castle,	64	James Campbell.
Nottingham,	60	Thomas Collingwood.
Sutherland,	50	Mich. Everitt.
Dover,	40	Chaloner Ogle, jun.
Thunder,	8	R. Haswell.
Grenada, } bomb-ketches, }	8	

A List of the Fleet detached under Commodore Hervey by Sir James Douglas, to cruize off Cape Francois.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Dragon,	74	Capt. Hon. Aug J. Hervey
Temeraire,	74	M. Barton.
Stirling Castle,	64	Ja. Campbell.
Alcide,	64	T. Hankerson.
Defiance,	60	Geo. Mackenzie.
Nottingham,	60	Tho Collingwood.
Pembroke,	60	J. Wheelock.
Dover,	40	Chaloner Ogle.
Trent,	28	John Lindsay.
Portmahon,	24	Tho. Lempriere.

Note 192.

Note 192. A List of the Fleet left under the command of Rear Admiral Rodney at the Leeward Islands, 1762.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Foudr. yant	84 {	Geo. B. Rodney, Vice Admiral of the Blue. Capt. Shuldham.
Vanguard,	70 {	Robert Swanton, Rear-Admiral of the Blue.* Capt. J. C. Allen.
Modeste,	64	J. Holwall.
St Ann,	64	Wm Harman.
Rocheſter,	50	Fr. S. Drake.
Falkland,	50	Wm Tucker.
Norwich,	50	Wm M'Cleverty.
Woolwich,	44	L. O'Brien.
Stag,	32	W. Baine.
Repulſe,	32	Sir Alex Holburne
Acteon,	28	P. H. Ourry.
Levant,	28	J. Laforey.
Aquilon,	28	Chaloner Ogle, ſen.
Lynx,	14	Wm Garnier.
Virgin,	12	J. Briſbane.

* Commodore Swanton was appointed a Rear-Admiral in October, and his flag ſent out to him.

Troops left at the Leeward Iſlands, after Lord Albemarle ſailed for the Havannah.

Antigua,			
38th regiment,	-	-	600
Guadaloupe,			
4th regiment,	-	-	500
63d,	-	-	700
65th,	-	-	600

At Martinico, Grenada, St Lucia, Dominico, and St Vincent's.

69th regiment,	-	-	556
76th, two battalions,	-	-	1048
Carried forward,	-	-	4004

	Brought forward,	-	4004
94th regiment,	-	-	387
95th,	-	-	585
98th,	-	-	370
100th,	-	-	356
	Total,		5702

Exclusive of a detachment of the royal regiment of artillery.

Note 193. A Description of the Havanna, and other Ports within its Government; a List of the General and Staff Officers; the Naval and Military Force sent against the Havanna; the Capitulation of the Havanna; a List of the Spanish Ships of War taken with the City; Various Returns; and an Account of the Distribution of the Prize Money.

HAVANNA;

This place is not denominated the capital of Cuba; St Jago, situated at the south-east part of the island, has that title; but the Havanna, though the second in rank, is the first in wealth, size, and importance. The harbour, upon which it stands, is, in every respect, one of the best in the West Indies, and perhaps in the world. It is entered by a narrow passage, upwards of half a mile in length, which afterwards expands into a large basin, forming three Cul de Sacs, and is sufficient, in extent and depth, to contain a thousand sail of the largest ships, having almost throughout six fathom water, and being perfectly covered from every wind. The Havanna is situated near the mouth of this excellent harbour, and lies in 23. deg. 12. min. N. Lat. and 82. deg. 13. min. West Long. from London, and in the most fruitful part of the island, and the only part where there are any farms, the rest being almost destitute of inhabitants. It was built by Diego de Velasquez, who conquered the island of Cuba, and built a little town here in 1511. It was named originally the port of Carenas, but afterwards, when the city by its increase of wealth grew considerable, it was called St Christopher of the Havanna. In 1536, it was of so inconsiderable a value, that being taken by a French pirate, he ransomed the place for the paltry sum of 700 pieces of eight. Sometime after it was taken by the English, and a second time by the French; nor was its value understood, or any care taken to put it in a posture of defence, till the reign of Philip the Second; though what was then done proved insufficient; and most of the fortifications were in a very bad condition, when Francis Correal was there in 1666, and very little better when he visited it twenty years afterwards. But since the accession of a branch of the House of Bourbon to the Spanish Crown, more pains have been taken to render it a place of strength.

strength. We shall therefore describe it as it was just before it was attacked in 1762.

The Havanna stands on the west side of the harbour, in a very beautiful and pleasant plain, is the residence of the Governor and Captain-General of Cuba, and of the royal officers, as well as of an assessor, for the assistance of the Governor and Captain-General of the West Indies. The bishop of St Jago de Cuba likewise chuses to fix his residence here. The buildings are elegant, not lofty, built of stone, and make a very good appearance, and some of the grandees are most superbly furnished. Here are eleven churches and monasteries, and two handsome hospitals. Near the middle of the town is a spacious square, surrounded with uniform buildings. The churches are rich and magnificent; the lamps, candlesticks, and ornaments for the altars being of gold and silver; some of the lamps are of the most curious workmanship, and weigh near an hundred weight. The Recolects church, which stands on the best ground in the city, has twelve beautiful chapels in it, and in the monastery are cells for fifty fathers. The church of St Clara has seven altars adorned with plate, and the nunnery contains an hundred women and servants, all clothed in blue. The church belonging to the Augustines has thirteen altars; that of St Juan de Dios nine, with an hospital for soldiers of 12,000 pieces of eight revenue. It is not a bishop's see, though the bishop of St Jago resides here, the revenue of which prelate is not less than 50,000 pieces of eight a-year. In 1700 the inhabitants were computed at 26,000, and we may very well imagine them to be increased since. They are a more polite and social people than the inhabitants of any of the Spanish ports on the continent, and of late imitate the French, both in their dress and manners. The city is supplied with water, by a small river called Lagida, which rises from the hills on the south-west side of the town, and divides itself into three streams, one of which falls into the sea on the east side of the town, but the other two flow through the place, entering the walls near the middle of the city.

We shall now speak of the fortifications of this place. We remarked that the entrance to the harbour is by a narrow gut near half a mile in length: this passage is strongly defended on the east side by a strong castle called El Moro, situated on a high rock; the fortifications are of stone, irregular, and it is nearly of a triangular form: on the walls and bastions of this are mounted forty pieces of cannon. Under the faces of the south-west bastion of the Moro, and more within the entrance of the harbour, is a battery of stone called the Twelve Apostles, almost level with the water, and whose guns carry each a ball of thirty-six pounds. A little higher, and opposite to the Point gate, is the La Divina Pastora, or the Shepherd's Battery, of 14 guns, level with the water. On the west side of the entrance, at the point, is a square fort called the Punta, with four bastions well mounted with cannon, about two hundred yards distant from the Punta gate of the town. On the bastions of the town, next the harbour, are a number of cannon; and about the middle of the city is another

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fort, called El Fuerte, a square fort with four bastions, mounted with twenty-two pieces of cannon, of no great strength; but in this last the Governor resides, and in it the King of Spain's treasures are deposited till the arrival of the galleons.

On the land-side, from the Punta gate to the dock-yard, there is a rampart with bastions, faced with stone, and earthen parapets with a ditch, which in several places has fallen in, and almost filled up, particularly behind the Punta and land gates, near the stone-quarries, which, if joined to one another, might be of great detriment to the place in case of a siege, as a lodgement might be made in them. The ground here rises with an easy ascent to the land-gate, and is either open pasture, or garden-ground, well stored with the cabbage-tree. Before the land-gate is a ravelin. The hill on a rising ground from this gate, (which is the highest part of the town), to the dock yard, is deeper than on the other side.

Such are the fortifications of the Havanna, which are the best the Spaniards have in the West Indies, as indeed the place is of the greatest importance; but though strong, they have many defects; and from the situation of the town and forts, are commanded by many eminences, of which an enemy could not fail to take advantage. On the east side of the harbour, the Cavannas, on a part of which the Moro is built, commands in a great measure that fort, but absolutely commands the Punta, El Fuerte, and whole north-east part of the city, which is the best fortified. On the west side of the city, runs a suburb, called Guadaloupe, whose church is situated on an eminence about half a mile from the land gate, which it is on a level with, and higher than any other part of the fortifications. From the north side of this rising ground, the Punta gate may be flanked; and from the south-east side the dock-yard is commanded. Along the north side runs an aqueduct, which falling into the ditch at the land-gate, runs down to the dock-yard, both for watering the ships and turning a saw-mill. About half a mile from the church, is a bridge made over a rivulet that runs into the bay about a hundred yards. That road leads to the centre of the island, and extends to Baracoa, above six hundred miles distant. From this bridge to the Lazaretto, is about two miles, with a rising ground betwixt them. A trench thrown up between these two places would cut off the communication with the town by land. From these observations it will plainly appear, that the Havanna, though well fortified, is not impregnable.

The Havanna has greatly contributed to the maritime strength of the crown of Spain, many ships having been built here within these few years, from sixty to eighty guns, the island furnishing the finest materials, such as oak, pine, cedar, and mahogany.

The only defect of the harbour is the narrowness of its entry: for though free from bars and shoals, yet only one ship at a time can enter it; from which circumstance the galleons has more than once been insulted, and some of them taken, at the mouth of the harbour, the forts there not being able to afford them any assistance. We shall mention one instance, as mentioned by Father Gage, who was a

sufferer. In 1629, the flota, in its return from La Vera Cruz, fell in, off Cape St Antonia, the most western point of Cuba, with the famous Dutchman, called by the Spaniards *Pie de Pelo*, or *Wooden Leg*, (and as much feared by them as Sir Francis Drake), who waited there for them; and, after he had saluted them with a broadside or two, the Admiral Don Juan de Gusman y Torres, called a council of war, wherein it was resolved to fly from the enemy, as the surest means to save the King's treasure, which amounted to six or seven millions, according to their own account, and to make directly for the bay of Matanzas, imagining that the Dutch would not venture in after them. But the misfortune was, they could not get far in themselves, the bay being too shallow for such large ships as the galleons. This obliged them to run their ships aground; after which the richer fort endeavoured to escape to land with what wealth they could in cabinets and bags. But the Dutch coming swiftly upon them, soon stopped their flight with the cannon from their ships: so that, except a few cabinets that were hidden, all the rest of the treasure became the Hollander's prize. Two friars, who had fleeced their sheep of 30,000 ducats, (one of whom was Gage), were also fleeced themselves. Thus lightened of their burdens, the fleet went to Spain, where, Gage says, the Admiral was imprisoned, and lost his senses for a while; which having recovered, he was afterwards beheaded.

Had not the entrance of the harbour of Havanna had the above defect, the whole Spanish flota might have escaped by steering for it; but conscious of it, they fled to the Matanzas, where they were plundered.

The city of Havanna is of the greatest importance to Spain, being the rendezvous for all their fleets to return from America to Europe, lying at the mouth of the gulph of Florida; through which they are all obliged to pass. Here the navy of Spain stationed in the West Indies ride, and here the galleons *, the flota,

* The first port the galleons enter is Carthagena, where they wait till advice is received of the arrival of the Peru fleet at Panama; upon which they sail for Puerto Velo, or, as it is commonly called, Porto Bello, where a prodigious concourse of people from all the Spanish provinces are assembled, waiting their arrival. As soon as the ships are moored in the harbour, the sailors erect, in the square of the town, a large tent with the sails, where they deposit the cargoes. These bales are drawn on sledges by the crews of the several ships, and the money paid for their labour is equally divided among them all. While the seamen and European traders are thus employed, the roads are covered with droves of mules from Panama, loaded with chests of gold and silver, on account of the merchants of Peru; but, notwithstanding the hurry and confusion attending such prodigious crowds, no loss or disturbance is ever known. The conveyance of the King's treasure, and the merchandise from Chili and Peru, landed at Panama, thence to Porto Velo, is performed two ways: The first is in summer, by land, which is a journey of about fourteen Spanish leagues, upon mules, through the towns of Maria Enrique, Venta de Camillilla, Venta de Chagres, San Juan, Pueblo de Indios, Pequeno, and Boqueron; in winter, to Santa Cruz, or Venta de Cruzes, on the Rio de Chagre, near five leagues from Panama, from whence it is conveyed down the river, in flat-bottom boats, in three days if the water be high, else they may

ta *, and other merchant-ships from other ports †, both of the continent and islands, meet in September, to take in provisions and water, with great part of their lading, and for the convenience of returning to Spain in a body. A continual fair is held till their departure, which generally happens before the end of the month, when proclamation is made, forbidding any person belonging to the fleet to stay in town on pain of death; and accordingly, on firing the warning gun, they all retire on board.

The commerce carried on in this port, which is very considerable, we will, for the sake of perspicuity, divide into the particular commerce of the island of Cuba, and that more general by the galleons and flota. The former consists in hides, usually styled of the Havanna, which are excellent, and of great value; sugar, tobacco, admirable in its kind, &c. Though strangers are prohibited to trade, yet a contraband commerce is carried on brisker here than at La Vera Cruz. Some little trade is carried on by other ports of Cuba; but it is very inconsiderable. As to the general commerce, this port is the place of rendezvous (as already mentioned) for all ships, particularly from Carthagena, Puerto Velo, and La Vera Cruz, which return to Spain from the Indies. The Havanna is regularly supplied with European goods only by the register ships from Cadiz and the

be from six to twelve days, or more, the river being full of shelves, and very shallow in summer: in this case, the treasure may be carried through a level country to Embarcadero, on the Rio de la Trinidad, and there embarked for Porto Velo. The ships being unloaded, and the merchants of Peru, together with the President of Panama, arrived, the fair comes under deliberation; and for this purpose the deputies of the several parties repair on board the ship of the commodore of the galleons, where, in his and the president of Panama's presence, the former as patron of the Europeans, the latter of the Peruvians, the prices of the several kinds of merchandise are settled, and the contracts are signed and made public, that every one may by them regulate the sale of his effects; and by this means all fraud is precluded. The purchases and sales, as well as the exchanges of money, are transacted by brokers from Spain and Peru. After this, every merchant begins to dispose of his own goods. The Spanish brokers embark their chests of money, and those of Peru send away the goods they have purchased, by vessels up the river Chagre; and thus the fair of Porto Velo ends. The galleons, having now got on board the King's and merchants treasure and effects, return to Carthagena, where having taken in provisions and water, proceed to the general rendezvous at the Havannah.

* The flota brings to Europe the treasures of New Spain and Mexico, as the galleons do that of Chili and Peru. The flota proceeds directly to La Vera Cruz in the audience of Mexico, where it winters: here they unload the goods from Old Spain, and take on board those of Mexico, as well as the merchandises that come from the Philippine islands, by the Acapulco ships. A fair is opened in this town, which lasts many weeks, sometimes till the ships are ready to depart: then this place may be said to be immensely rich; but the most wealthy merchants not only reside at the city of Los Angeles the far greater part of the year, but also keep their silver there, till such time as the flota is just ready to go off; which ought regularly to be in May, but is sometimes detained till August, when it proceeds for the Havannah.

† A good many ships from St Jago de Cuba, from the Canaries, and other parts, who trade in the commodities of the country.

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Canaries. The flota and galleons bring there no more than the refuse of their cargoes, which they had not been able to dispose of at Carthagena, Puerto Velo, or La Vera Cruz. When the fleet is in the harbour, provisions are excessively dear on shore, and money so plenty, that a Spaniard expects half a piece of eight a day from a male slave, and a quarter from a female, out of what they earn for their labour. The fleet generally sails from thence, through the channel of Bahama, in the month of September; and is the richest in the world; since, in silver and merchandise, there is seldom less than thirty millions of pieces of eight on board, or six millions seven hundred and fifty thousand pounds of our money.

It is natural to imagine, that a port of so much consequence as the Havanna ought to be well fortified. Since it has been restored to Spain by the peace in 1762, many new works have been added, to prevent, if possible, a similar disaster befalling it.

BAHIA DE MATANZAS

Is the only port belonging to the district of the Havanna, and to the eastward of that city, that the English got possession of in consequence of the surrender of the Havanna. It is a fine deep bay, and one of the largest in Cuba, opposite Bahama channel, about twenty-four leagues east from the Havanna, hardly fit for large ships, but very convenient for small vessels to anchor and take in fresh water. At the bottom of the bay is the small town of San Carlos, and a fort to guard the road. There is here a very great snuff-manufactory.

Ports in the Island of Cuba to the westward of the Havanna, and in its district.

BAHIA HONDA,

Or deep bay, is large enough to contain a very considerable fleet. Here is plenty of fish and sweet water; and near to the shore is a good conveniency for watering. Its entrance lies to the south, and clear, without any obstruction. In the bay (which is asserted by some to be very little inferior to the Havanna) is very good anchoring ground, near Wood island. This bay lies very conveniently for protecting the navigation of the gulph of Florida, being distant not above twenty-three leagues west from the Havanna.

PUERTO CAVANNAS

Is a fine bay, and known at sea by a round hill, with a small break within land; has a little wood at the top, and another high hill, called Pan de Cavannas, or the Loaf of Cavannas, and near the sea-coast a double row of little hillocks, like unto shepherds cottages,
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from which they take their name. These run to the east of Bahia Honda, where the Loaf of Cavannas is over the middle of these hills. Here lies the Puerto Cavannas, which is fit for vessels of small burden, having at the entrance, and within the harbour, from four to six fathom water. It lies six leagues from Bahia Honda, and seventeen west from the Havanna.

PUERTO DE MARIEL

Lies ten leagues west from the Havanna, and thirteen east from Bahia Honda. This place affords very good shelter, and sufficient depth for any vessel; to enter which they must keep over to the lee shore till they are within the entrance, and then anchor to the windward side of Puerto de Mariel, where there is safe shelter from the sea-wind, and on which side there is fine sweet water that runs clear from a rock.

A List of the Fleet under the Command of Sir George Pocock, Knight of the Bath, on the Jamaica Station, 1762.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Namur,	90	{ Sir George Pocock, K. B. Admiral of the Blue. Capt. John Harrison. Hon. Augustus Keppel, Commodore.
Valiant,	74	
Cambridge,	80	W. Goostrey.
Culloden,	74	J. Barker.
Temeraire,	74	M. Barto
Dragon,	74	Hon. A. Harvey.
Centaur,	74	T. Lempriere.
Dublin,	74	Ed. Galcoigne.
Marlborough,	70	T. Burnet.
Temple,	70	J. Legge.
Orford,	66	M. Arbuthnot.
Devonshire,	66	S. Marshall.
Belleisle,	64	Jos. Knight.
Edgar,	64	F. W. Drake.
Alcide,	64	T. Hankerson.
Hampton Court,	64	Alex. Innes.
Stirling Castle,	64	Ja. Campbell.
Pembroke,	60	J. Wheelock.
Rippon,	60	Ed. Jekyll.
Nottingham,	60	T. Collingwood.
Defiance,	60	Geo. Mackenzie.
Intrepid,	60	J. Hale.
Centurion,	50	Ja Galbraith.
Deptford,	50	D. Digges.
Sutherland,	50	M. Everitt.
Hampshire,	50	Ar. Usher.

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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Penzance,	40	Ph. Botteler.
Dover,	40	Chal. Ogle.
Enterprize,	40	J. Houlton.
Richmond,	32	J. Elphinstone.
Alarm,	32	Ja. Alms, <i>acting.</i>
Echo,	28	J. Lendrick.
Lizard,	28	Fr. Banks.
Trent,	28	J. Lindfay.
Cerberus,	28	C. Webber.
Boreas,	28	S. Uvedale.
Mercury,	24	S. G. Goodal.
Rose,	20	J. N. P. Nott.
Portmahon,	20	Rich. Bickerton.
Fowey,	20	S. Mead.
Glasgow,	20	Rich. Carteret.
Bonetta,	16	L. Holmes.
Cygnat,	16	Hon. C. Napier.
Merlin,	16	W. Fr. Bourk.
Porcupine,	16	H. Harmood.
Barbadoes,	14	J. Hawker.
Viper,	14	J. Urry.
Port-Royal.	14	Stair Douglas.
Ferret,	14	P. Clark.
Lurcher cutter,	14	Walker.

BOMB KETCHES.

Thunder,	8	R. Hafwell.
Grenada,	8	Frazer.
Basilisk,	8	Lowfield.

Besides Store-ships, Hospital-ships, Victuallers, and Transports.

Note. The Centaur, Alcide, Sutherland, and Cerberus, joined after the siege was commenced. The Intrepid escorted the first division, and the Lizard and Porcupine the second division of troops from North America. The Centurion (Sir James Douglas) and Enterprize, escorted the first, and the Cambridge and Penzance the second Jamaica fleet to England.

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A List of the General and Staff Officers, and Land forces, &c employed at the Siege of the Havanna.

Commander in Chief, George Earl of Albemarle.

Lieutenant-General, George Augustus Elliot.

Major-Generals, { John Lafaulle.
Hon. W. Keppel.

Brigadier-Generals, { William Haviland.
Francis Grant.
John Reid.
Andrew Lord Rollo.
Hunt Walsh.

Adjutant-General, Hon. Col. William Howe.

Deputy ditto, Lieut.-Col Dudley Ackland.

Quarter-Master General, Col. Guy Carleton.

Deputy ditto, Major Nevinfon Poole.

Secretary to the Commander in Chief, Lieut.-Col. John Hale.

Chief Engineer, Lieut.-Col Patrick M'Kellar.

Director-General and first Physician, Sir Clifton Wintringham.

Deputy Director-General, Richard Huck.

Three Physicians, four Surgeons, four Apothecaries, forty-four Surgeons Mates.

BRIGADES.

1st. Brigadier-General Haviland.

<i>Regiments.</i>	<i>No. of Companies.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
1st, Royal, St Clair's,	4	Capt. Benj Gordon. 320
56th, Keppel's,	9	Lt.-Col. Ja. Stewart. 933
60th, Roy. Americans, } Haviland's,	10	{ Lt.-Col. Prevost. 587

2d. Brigadier-General Walsh.

<i>Regiments.</i>	<i>No. of Companies.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
9th, Whitmore's,	9	Lt.-Col Philips. 977
28th, Townhend's,	10	Major Corry. 378
48th, Webb's,	10	Lt Col. Teesdale. 525
27th, Blackeney's,	10	Lt.-Col. Massey. 536

3d. Brigadier-General Reid.

<i>Regiments.</i>	<i>No. of Companies.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
75th, Amherst's,	9	Major Irving. 423
43d, Talbot's,	10	Lt.-Col. Dalling. 380
35th, Otway's,	10	Lt.-Col. Fletcher. 471
34th, Cavendish's,	9	Major Farmer. 976

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4th. Brigadier-General Grant.

Regiments.	No. of Companies.	Commanders.	
17th, Monckton's,	10	Lt-Col. Campbell.	535
42d, 1st Bat. } Murray's,	10	Lt-Col. Reid.	540
42d, 2d Bat. }	10	Lt-Col. Graham.	484
77th, Montgomery's,	9	Major Merrie.	605
65th, Malpas's,	1	Capt. Jenkins.	104
4th, Duroirc's,	2	Capt. Kennedy.	225

5th. Brigadier-General Lord Rollo.

Regiments.	No. of Companies.	Commanders.	
22d, Gage's,	10	Major Loftus.	602
72d, Richmond's,	9	Major Troughear.	986
90th, Grant's,	5	Lt-Col. Stuart.	465
40th, Armiger's,	9	Lt-Col. Grant.	380
Royal Artillery,		Lt-Col. Alex. Leith.	377
Independent Corps,		Major Feronne.	217
Engineers,		Major P. Mackellar,	15

Total, exclusive of the reinforcements from North America under Brigadier-General Burton, and a detachment from Jamaica, which together amounted to upwards of 2000 men, } 12,041

Articles of Capitulation agreed upon between their Excellencies Sir George Pocock, Knight of the Bath, and the Earl of Albemarle, commanding the Fleets and Army of his Britannic Majesty, on their Parts; and by their Excellencies the Marquis of Real Transporte, Commander in Chief of the Squadron of his Most Catholic Majesty, and Don Juan de Prado, Governor of the Havanna, for the Surrender of the City, and all its Dependencies, with all the Spanish Ships in the Harbour.

PRELIMINARY ARTICLE.

Fort la Punta, and the land-gate, shall be delivered to his Britannic Majesty's troops to-morrow morning the 13th of August, at twelve o'clock, at which time it is expected the following articles of capitulation shall be signed and ratified.

ARTICLE

ARTICLE I. The garrison, consisting of the infantry, artillery-men, and dragoons, the different militia of the towns of this island, shall march out of the land-gate the 20th instant, provided in that time no relief arrives so as to raise the siege, with all the military honours, arms shouldered, drums beating, colours flying, six field-pieces, with twelve pounders each, and as many rounds to each foldier; and likewise the regiments shall take out with them their military chest. And the governor shall have six covered waggons, which are not to be examined on any pretence whatever.

ANSWER. The garrison, consisting of the regular troops, the dragoons dismounted (leaving their horses for his Britannic Majesty's service) in consideration of their vigorous and gallant defence of the Moro Fort and the Havanna, shall march out of the Punta gate with two pieces of cannon, and six rounds for each gun, and the same number for each foldier, drums beating, colours flying, and all the honours of war; the military-chest refused; the governor will be allowed as many boats as are necessary to transport his baggage and effects on board the ship destined for him. The militia without the town, as well as those within, to deliver up their arms to his Britannic Majesty's commissary, who shall be appointed to receive them.

ART. 2. That the said garrison shall be allowed to take out of this city, all their effects, equipage, and money, and transport themselves with it to another part of this island; for which purpose shall be allowed and permitted to come freely into the said city, all the beasts of burden, and carts. And this article is to extend to, and include, all other officers belonging to his Majesty, employed in the administration of justice, intendant of marines, commissary of war, and treasurer general, who are to have the choice of going out of the city.

ANS. The officers of the above garrison will be allowed to carry with them all their private effects and money on board the ships which will be provided at the expence of his Britannic Majesty, to transport the garrison to the nearest port of old Spain. The intendant of marine, commissary of war, and those employed in the management of his Catholic Majesty's revenues, as soon as they have delivered over their accounts, shall have liberty to leave the island, if they desire it.

ART. 3. The marines, and the ships crews, in this harbour, who have served on shore, shall obtain on their going out, the same honours as the garrison of the city; and shall proceed with those honours on board the said ships, that they may, together with their Commander in Chief Don Gutierrez de Heveia, Marquis del Real Transporte, and Commander General of his Catholic Majesty's naval forces in America, sail in their said ships, as soon as the port is open, with all their effects and money, in order to proceed to some other port belonging to the dominions of Spain; in doing which, they will oblige themselves, that during their navigation to their destined port, they shall not attack any squadron, or single ship, belonging to his Britannic Majesty, or his allies, nor merchant-vessels belonging to his subjects; and likewise, they are not to be attacked by any squadron, or single ship, belonging to his Britannic Majesty, nor any of his allies.

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Likewise liberty shall be given to go on board the said ships, the aforementioned troops, and ships crews, with their officers, and others belonging to them, together with the effects and monies that are in the city, belonging to his Catholic Majesty, with the equipages and effects in specie, of gold or silver, belonging to the said Marquis, and others employed in the different marine offices; granting them likewise every thing that should be necessary to protect them and their ships, as well as in the fitting them out from his Catholic Majesty's stores; and whatever more should be wanted at the current prices of the country.

Ans. The Marquis del Real Transporte, with his officers, sailors, and marines, as making part of the garrison, shall be treated in every respect as the governor and regular troops. All ships in the harbour of the Havannah, and all money and effects belonging to his Catholic Majesty, shall be delivered up to such persons as shall be appointed by Sir George Pocock and the Earl of Albemarle to receive them.

ART. 4. That all the artillery, stores, and ammunition and provisions belonging to his Catholic Majesty, except such as are well known to belong to the Squadron, an exact inventory shall be made thereof, by the assistance of four persons, subjects of the King of Spain, which the governor shall appoint, and by four others, subjects to his Britannic Majesty, who are to be elected by his Excellency the Earl of Albemarle, who shall keep possession of all till both sovereigns come to another determination.

Ans. All the artillery, and all kinds of arms, ammunition, and naval stores, without reserve, shall be delivered up to such persons as shall be appointed to receive them by Sir George Pocock and the Earl of Albemarle.

ART. 5. That as by mere accident were residing in this city, his Excellency the Count de Superunda, lieutenant-general of his Catholic Majesty's forces, and late viceroy of Peru, and Don Diego Tavares, major-general of his Majesty's forces, and late governor of Carthagena, both here in their return to Spain; these gentlemen and their families shall be comprehended in this capitulation, allowing them to possess their equipages and other effects belonging to them, and to grant them vessels to transport them to Spain.

Ans. The Count de Superunda, lieutenant-general of his Catholic Majesty's forces, and late viceroy of the kingdom of Peru, and Don Diego Tavares, Knight of the order of St James, major-general, and late governor of Carthagena, shall be conveyed to old Spain in the most commodious ships that can be provided, suitable to the rank, dignity, and character of those noble persons, with all their effects, money, and attendants, at such time as may be most convenient for themselves.

ART. 6. That the Catholic Apostolic Roman religion shall be maintained and preserved in the same manner and form as it has hitherto been, in all the dominions belonging to his Catholic Majesty, without putting the least restraint to any of the public worships which actually

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are the rites of the church, and practised in and out of their temples, to which, as well as the solemn days celebrated therein, there shall be the due regard they have hitherto had; and that the ecclesiastical body, the convents, monasteries, hospitals, and the different orders, universities, and colleges, shall remain in the full enjoyment of their rights, together with their effects and rents, moveables, or tenements, in the same manner as they have hitherto enjoyed.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 7. That the Bishop of Cuba is to enjoy all the rights, privileges, and prerogatives, that as such belong to him, for the direction and spiritual instructions to those of the same Catholic religion, with the nomination of curates, and other ecclesiastical ministers, with the annexed jurisdiction over them, as he has had hitherto, with the freedom to receive all the rents and revenues within his bishopric; which privileges shall extend likewise to all other ecclesiastics in those shares belonging to them.

Ans. Granted, with a reserve, that in the appointment of priests, and other ecclesiastical officers, it shall be with the consent and approbation of his Britannic Majesty's governor.

ART. 8. That within the monasteries of religious men and women, shall be observed and kept the same interior government as hitherto, under subordination to their real superiors, agreeable to the establishment of their particular institutes, without any novelty or variation.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 9. That in the same manner as the effects and monies in this city, belonging to his Catholic Majesty, is to be shipped on board the squadron in this harbour, to transport the same to Spain, all the tobacco which likewise belongs to his Catholic Majesty; and also shall be permitted, even in time of war, to his Catholic Majesty, the purchase of tobacco on the said island, in the district subject to the King of Great Britain, at the established prices, and the free exportation of the same to Spain in Spanish or foreign vessels; and for which purpose, and receiving, and keeping, and curing the same, shall be kept and possessed the warehouses, with all other buildings, which are destined for that purpose; and likewise shall be allowed and maintained here, all such officers as should be necessary to manage the same.

Ans. Refused.

ART. 10. That, in consideration that this port is situated by nature for the relief of those who navigate in those parts of Spanish and British America, that this port shall be reputed and allowed to be neutral to the subjects of his Catholic Majesty, who are to be admitted in and out freely, to take in such refreshments as they may be in need of, as well as repairing their vessels, paying the current prices for every thing; and that they are not to be insulted nor interrupted in their navigation by any vessels belonging to his Britannic Majesty, or his subjects or allies, from the Capes Catooha, on the coast of Campeche, and that of St Antonio, to the westward of this island; nor from

from the Tortuga bank to this port ; and from hence till they get in to the latitude of 33° north, till both their Majesties agree to the contrary.

Ans. Refused.

ART. 11. That all the inhabitants, Europeans and Creoles, in this city, shall be left in the free possession and management of all their offices and employments, which they have by purchase, as well as of their estates, and all other effects, moveables or tenements of any quality or kind whatever, without being obliged to account on any other terms than those on which they did to his Catholic Majesty.

Ans. Granted. And they shall be allowed to continue in their offices of property as long as they conduct themselves properly.

ART. 12. That the said officers shall preserve and keep the rights and privileges which they have hitherto enjoyed ; and they shall be governed in his Britannic Majesty's name, under the same laws and administration of justice, and under such conditions as they have done hitherto in the dominion of Spain, in every particular, appointing their judges and officers of justice, agreeable to their usual custom.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 13. That to any of the fore said inhabitants of this city who should not chuse to stay, it shall be permitted them to take out their property and riches, in such specie as should be most convenient to them, and to dispose of their estates, or to leave them under the administration of others, and to transport themselves with them, to such of his Catholic Majesty's dominions as they chuse ; granting them four years to execute the same, and vessels to transport them, either upon purchase or on freight, with the necessary passports, and authority to bear arms against the Moors and Turks, upon this express condition, That they shall not use them against his Britannic Majesty's subjects, or his allies, who are not to insult them, nor abandon them ; and that this and the two foregoing articles are to comprehend and admit to be included all his Catholic Majesty's ministers and officers, as well civil, marine, and military, who are married and established with families and estates in this city, in order that they may obtain the same privileges as the other inhabitants.

Ans. The inhabitants will be allowed to dispose of and remove their effects to any part of the King of Spain's dominions, in vessels at their own expence, for which they will have proper passports. It is understood, that such officers as have property in this island shall have the same indulgence allowed to the rest of the inhabitants.

ART. 14. That to these people no ill-will shall arise on account of having taken up arms, owing to their fidelity, and their being insisted in the militia, on account of the necessity of war ; neither shall the English troops be permitted to plunder ; but, on the contrary, they shall completely enjoy their rights and prerogatives as other subjects of his Britannic Majesty, allowing them to return, without the least hindrance or impediment, from the country into the city, with all their families, equipages, and effects, as they went out of the city on account

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account of this invasion, and who are to be comprehended in the present articles; and that neither of them shall be incommoded with having troops quartered in their houses; but that they shall be lodged in particular quarters, as has been practised during the Spanish government.

Ans. Granted; except that, in cases of necessity, quartering the troops must be left to the direction of the governor. All the King's slaves are to be delivered up to the persons who will be appointed to receive them.

ART. 15. That the effects detained in this city belonging to the merchants at Cadiz, which have arrived here in the different register-ships, and in which are interested all the European nations, a sufficient passport shall be granted to the supercargoes thereof, that they may freely remit the same with the register-ships, without running the risk of being insulted in their passage.

Ans. Refused.

ART. That those civil or other officers, who have had charge of the management of the administration and distribution of the royal treasure, or any other affair of a peculiar nature, from his Catholic Majesty, are to be left with the free use of all those papers which concern the discharge of their duty, with free liberty to carry them to Spain for that purpose; and the same shall be understood with the managers of the Royal Company established in this city.

Ans. All public papers to be delivered to the secretaries of the admiral and general for inspection, which will be returned to his Catholic Majesty's officers, if not found necessary for the government of the island.

ART. 17. That the public records are to remain in custody of those officers who possess them, without permitting any of the papers to be taken away, for fear of their being mislaid, as it may be productive of great prejudice, not only to the public, but also to many private people.

Ans. Answered in the foregoing article.

ART. 18. That the officers and soldiers who are sick in the hospital shall be treated in the same manner as the garrison; and after their recovery, they shall be granted horses or vessels to transport themselves where the garrison goes, with every thing necessary for their security and subsistence during the voyage; and before which they shall be provided with such provisions and medicines as shall be demanded by the hospital-keepers and surgeons thereof; and all others under them, who are included in this capitulation, are to stay or go, as they prefer.

Ans. Granted; the governor leaving proper commissaries to furnish them with provisions, surgeons, medicines, and necessaries, at the expence of his Catholic Majesty, while they remain in the hospital.

ART. 19. That all the prisoners made on both sides, since the 6th of June, when the English Squadron appeared before the harbour, shall
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be returned reciprocally, and without any ransom, within the term of two months, for those who were sent away from the city to other towns in the island, which was done for want of proper places of security here, or before, if they can.

Ans. This article cannot be concluded on till the British prisoners are delivered up

ART. 20. That as soon as the articles of this capitulation are agreed upon, and hostages given on each side for the performance thereof, the land-gate shall be delivered into the possession of his Britannic Majesty's troops, that they post a guard there; and the garrison shall have one themselves, until the place is evacuated, when his Excellency the Earl of Albemarle will be pleased to send some soldiers as a safe-guard to the churches, convents, and treasuries, and all other places of consequence.

Ans. The number of safeguards required for the security of the churches, convents, and other places, shall be granted. The rest of the article is answered in the preliminary article.

ART. 21. That it shall be allowed the Governor and Commander in Chief of this Squadron, to dispatch a packet-boat with advice to his Catholic Majesty, as well as to other people who have a right to the same advice, to which vessel there shall be granted a safe and secure passport for the voyage.

Ans. As the troops are to be sent to Old Spain, a packet is unnecessary.

ART. 22. That the troops of the Punta Castle shall have the same honours as the garrison of the town, and that they shall march out by one of the most practicable breaches.

Ans. Granted.

ART. 23. That the capitulation is to be understood liberally, and without any interpretation on any pretext whatever, of making reprisals, on account of not having complied with the foregoing.

Ans. Granted.

ALBEMARLE.

G. POCOCK.

EL MARQUIS DEL REAL TRANSPORTE.

JUAN DE PRADO.

Head Quarters near the Havanna, 12th August 1762.

State of the Garrison of Fort Moro, when taken by storm July 30. 1762.

STAFF. Commander in Chief, and Colonel, Don Lewis de Velasco, mortally wounded.

Second in Command, and Colonel, Marquis Gonzales, killed.

2 Fort Majors, 2 Fort Adjutants, 1 Engineer.

REGULAR TROOPS. 6 Captains, 5 Lieutenants, 6 Second Lieutenants, 280 Serjeants, Corporals, Drums, and Private.

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Officers of the Marine and Seamen ; 2 Captains, 2 Lieutenants, 300 Marines.
Officers of the Works ; 2 second Lieutenants.
Negroes ; 2 Officers, 94 Negroes.

Return of the Spaniards, Killed, Wounded, Drowned, or Taken, at the Assault of Moro.

Killed,	—	—	130
Wounded,	—	—	37
Prisoners,	—	—	310
Officers ditto,	—	—	16
Drowned, or killed in their boats,	—	—	213
Total,			706

Return of the Numbers under Lieutenant-Colonel Stuart, of the 90th Regiment, at the Assault of Fort Moro, July 30. 1762.

<i>Regiments.</i>	<i>Lt-Colonels.</i>	<i>Majors.</i>	<i>Captains.</i>	<i>Lieutenants.</i>	<i>Ensigns.</i>	<i>Serjeants.</i>	<i>Rank & File.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Royals,	-	-	1	4	1	5	102	318
Marksmen,	-	-	1	3	4	8	129	
90th Regiment,	-	-	1	1	5	1	50	
35th Reg. to sustain them,	-	-	1	4	10	2	14	332
Sappers,	-	-	-	1	-	-	150	
Total,	1	2	10	23	4	19	581	650

Of these, 2 lieutenants, 12 rank and file killed.

1 lieutenant, 4 serjeants, 23 rank and file wounded.

State of all Kinds of Officers, Serjeants, Drums, Private, and Families belonging to the Garrison of the Havanna, embarked on board his Majesty's Vessels.

REGIMENTS.	FIELD & STAFF-OFFICERS. OFFICERS. TROOPS.										FAMILIES.				
	Colonels.	Lt-Colonels.	Serj.-Majors.	Aid-de-Camps.	Chaplains.	Surgeons.	Captains.	Subalterns.	Serjants.	Drummers.	Private.	Officers Wives.	Children.	Soldiers Wives.	Children.
2d Regiment of Spain, -	—			1	1	1	5	15	16	11	317	4	8	6	3
2d Regiment of Arragon, -	—			1	1	1	2	8	9	9	137				
Havanna Regiment, -	1		1	1	1		3	21	2	2	131	8	17		
Companies of Artillery, -	—						1	3	1	1	10	2	2		
Edinburgh Dragoons, -	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	9	8	6	130	2	3	1	
Havanna Dragoons, -	1	1							2		53	1			
Total,	3	2	2	4	4	3	17	56	38	29	778	17	30	7	3

N. B. The prisoners on board our men of war, and the sick and wounded left in the town, are not included in the above Return.

A List of the Spanish Ships of War that were in the harbour of the Havanna, under the command of the Marquis del Real Transporte, Commodore, and Commander in Chief of all his Catholic Majesty's ships in America, and surrendered with the City the 12th of August 1762.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
<i>a</i> Tigre,	70	El Marq. del Real Transporte.
<i>a</i> Reyno,	70	Don Juan Ygnacio Madariaga.
<i>a</i> Soverano,	70	Don Louis de Velasco.
<i>a</i> Infante,	70	Don Juan del Poggio.
<i>b</i> Neptuno,	70	Don Francisco de Medina.
<i>a</i> Aquilon,	70	Don Pedro Bermudas.
<i>b</i> Asia,	64	El Marquis Gonzales.
<i>a</i> America,*	60	Don Francisco Garganta.
<i>b</i> Europa,	60	Don Juan Antonio.
<i>a</i> Conquistado,	60	Don Joseph Vincente.
<i>a</i> San Genara,	60	Don Pedro Castejon.
<i>a</i> San Antonio,	60	New ships, and no Captains appointed.

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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
d Vinganza,	26	Don Diego Argote.
c Thetis,	22	Don Joseph Porlier.
d Marte,	18	Don Domingo Bonechea.
c Phoenix storeship.		

N. B. Two men of war on the stocks, not finished; and several large merchant ships of considerable value.

a Surrendered with the City.

b Sunk in the entrance of the Harbour.

c Taken by the Alarm in the old Streights of Bahama, June 3. 1762.

d Taken by the Defiance in Mariel harbour, June 28. 1762.

* Was afterwards named the Moro.

Return of Guns, Mortars, and Principal Stores, found in the Moro Fort, City of Havanna, and Punta, August 14. 1762.

Brass- Ordnance.	{	42 pounders	1	Iron- Ordnance.	{	36 pounders	2		
		36	4			26	26		
		32	3			24	68		
		26	11			18	67		
		24	1			16	47		
		20	3			14	16		
		18	8			11	6		
		16	14			8	18		
		15	5			Total,		250	
		12	31			Brass-Mor- tars.	{	one	9 inches.
		10	6					one	8
		8	3					three	5
		7	1					four	1½
		6	6					Iron-Mor- tars.	{
5	3	one	12						
4½	1								
4	3								
Total,		104							

Powder, quintals,	537	Empty shells, of forts,	460
Muskets of different cali- bres,	4157	Round shot, 24 pounders,	7600
Ditto cartridges filled,	125000	18	1613
Hand grenades fixed,	500	16	5650
Musket-ball, quintals,	30	12	1458
		8	80

Besides a great quantity of small stores.

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Return of the Killed, Wounded, Died of Wounds, Missing, and Dead, since the Army landed on the Island of Cuba, to the 13th of August 1762.

	<i>Killed.</i>	<i>Wounded.</i>	<i>Died of Wounds.</i>	<i>Missing.</i>	<i>Died.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Officers,	11	19	4	—	39	73
Serjeants,	15	19	—	1	14	49
Drummers,	4	6	1	4	11	26
Rank and File,	260	576	51	125	630	1642
Total, -	290	620	56	130	694	1790

List of the Prize Goods taken at the Havanna, exclusive of the Treasure.

5841 chests of sugar.
3384 serons, and 3 casks of
cocoa.
123 serons, Jesuit's bark.
8363 hides, in hair.
3900 tanned ditto.
475 bales of tobacco.

4876 serons of snuff.
59213 pieces of logwood.
2003 ditto fultic.
78 ditto timber.
8 cedar planks.
7 serons cochineal.
2 casks tortoise-shell.

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Abstract of the Sundry Dividends of Prize-Money paid to the Army at the Havanna.

Officers of the Army in the several Ranks.	1. & 2. Dividends.			3d Dividend.			4th Dividend.			5th Dividend.			Total.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Commander in Chief,	86030	17	2	20000	0	0	10000	0	0	6666	13	4	122697	10	6
Lieut.-Gen. Elliot,	17206	3	5	4000	0	0	2000	0	0	1333	6	8	24539	10	1
1 Major-General,	4779	9	10	1111	2	2½	555	11	1½	370	7	4½	6816	10	6½
1 more,	4779	9	10	1111	2	2½	555	11	1½	370	7	4½	6816	10	6½
1 Brigad.-General,	1365	11	4½	317	9	2½	153	14	7½	105	16	4½	1947	11	7
6 more,	8193	8	3½	1904	15	2½	952	7	7½	634	18	4½	11685	9	6½
1 Field-Officer,	393	12	3½	93	6	8	46	13	4	31	2	2½	564	14	6
50 more,	19080	5	0½	4573	6	8	2286	13	4	1524	8	10½	28064	13	11
1 Captain,	129	3	6	30	0	7½	15	0	3½	10	0	2½	184	4	7½
184 more,	23768	5	8	5525	10	6	2762	15	3	1841	16	10	33898	8	3
1 Subaltern,	81	7	8½	18	19	3	9	9	7½	6	6	5	116	3	0½
598 more,	48669	8	7½	11314	7	5	5657	3	8½	3771	9	2	69412	8	10½
1 Serjeant,	6	5	3½	1	9	1½	0	14	6½	0	9	8½	8	18	8
762 more,	4773	4	6½	1109	13	1	554	16	6½	369	17	8½	6807	11	10½
1 Corporal,	4	15	8½	1	2	3	0	11	1½	0	7	5	6	16	6
748 more,	3579	16	7½	832	4	5	416	2	2½	277	8	1½	5105	11	4½
1 Private,	2	17	3½	0	13	4	0	6	8	0	4	5½	4	1	8½
12099 more,	34648	9	0½	8054	17	9½	4027	8	10½	2684	19	3½	49415	15	0½
Fractions on the whole,	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4½
Total,	258092	11	6	60000	0	0	30000	0	0	20000	0	0	368092	11	6

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Abstract of the Sundry Dividends of Prize-Money paid to the Navy at the Havana.

Officers of the Navy in the several Ranks.	1. & 2. Dividends.		3d Dividend.		4th Dividend.		5th Dividend.		Total.	
	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.
Admiral,	86030	17 2	20000	0 0	10000	0 0	6666	13 4	122697	10 6
Commodore,	17206	3 5	4000	0 0	2000	0 0	1333	6 8	24539	10 1
1 Captain,	1109	10 6	267	16 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	133	18 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	89	5 6 $\frac{1}{4}$	1000	10 10
41 more,	45490	10 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	10982	3 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5491	1 8 $\frac{1}{4}$	3660	14 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	65624	10 1 $\frac{1}{2}$
1 Lieutenant,	164	10 9 $\frac{1}{4}$	38	5 0 $\frac{1}{4}$	19	2 6	12	15 0 $\frac{1}{4}$	234	13 3 $\frac{1}{4}$
182 more,	29946	5 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	6961	14 11 $\frac{1}{4}$	3480	17 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	2320	11 7 $\frac{1}{4}$	42709	9 4 $\frac{1}{4}$
1 Warrant-Officer,	82	19 0	19	5 7 $\frac{1}{4}$	9	12 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	6	8 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	118	5 11 $\frac{1}{4}$
362 more,	30027	17 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	6980	14 4 $\frac{1}{4}$	3490	7 2 $\frac{1}{4}$	2326	18 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	42825	16 9
1 Petty-Officer,	12	2 1	2	16 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	1	8 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	0	18 9 $\frac{1}{4}$	17	5 3
1302 more,	15760	4 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	3663	17 0 $\frac{1}{4}$	1831	18 6 $\frac{1}{4}$	1221	5 8 $\frac{1}{4}$	22477	5 8
1 Seaman,	2	13 4 $\frac{1}{4}$	0	11 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	0	5 10 $\frac{1}{4}$	0	3 10 $\frac{1}{4}$	3	14 9 $\frac{1}{4}$
12000 more,	32258	18 0 $\frac{1}{4}$	7082	14 11 $\frac{1}{4}$	3541	7 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	2360	18 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	45243	18 9 $\frac{1}{4}$
Fractions on the whole,	0	0 0	0	0 0	0	0 1	0	0 0	0	1
Total,	258092	11 6	60000	0 0	30000	0 0	20000	0 0	368092	11 6

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Note 194. A Description of Newfoundland ; the Correspondence between Colonel Amherst and Comte d'Hassonville ; with the Capitulation of Fort St John ; Various Returns, &c.

NEWFOUNDLAND ISLAND

Is of a triangular form, about the bigness of Ireland, and nine hundred and thirty miles in circuit. On the north, it is separated from Terra Labrador, or New Britain, by the Streights of Belleisle ; on the west, it is washed by the Gulph of St Lawrence ; and on the south and east, by the Atlantic Ocean. Cape Race, the most southerly point of the island, lies in Lat. 46. 45. N. ; the most northern point in 51. 30. N. ; and Cape Raye, its westernmost point, in 47. 35. West Long. between 53. and 59. ; — being 350 miles long, and 200 broad. The island is full of hills and mountains covered with pines ; so that the country can be traversed only in those parts where the inhabitants have cut roads through the woods. The trees of this species of pine seldom exceed eighteen or twenty feet in height, except those growing in the vallies, where they are sheltered from the piercing winds, which often are forty feet high. The cold during the winter is excessive here ; and the frosts, which are remarkably severe, set in about the middle of November ; and soon after the harbours and bays are entirely frozen.

The whole circuit of the island is full of spacious bays and harbours, well sheltered by the mountains, except their entrance ; so that vessels lie in perfect security. Some of these harbours are a league and a half or two leagues in length, and near half a league in breadth, having several rivers and brooks of excellent water falling into them from the adjacent mountains. They are also very near each other, being only separated by a point of land, seldom above two leagues in breadth ; so that the whole coast of the island is a succession of harbours. But it must not be imagined that there are towns or villages at every harbour ; these are only to be found on the larger and more commodious bays, where the nature and disposition of the country are most convenient for a settlement, the inhabitants being few in number, considering the great extent of the coast. Cod-fishing is the only business followed here ; and the inhabitants, besides their dwellings, have large storehouses for preparing and laying up their fish till the time arrives for sending them to Europe on their own account, or bartering them for European goods, with the ships that frequent the island for that purpose. None of these villages are without a fort or battery for their security in time of war, it being common for small privateers to visit them.

Newfoundland was formerly peopled by a savage race of Indians, who have since retired to the continent, but sometimes pay a visit to their ancient abodes. These Indians generally live by fishing and hunting ;

hunting; and both Newfoundland and Cape Breton abound with bustards and wild geese. Here are also foxes, bears, beavers, and other quadrupeds, found in Canada, though not in any great plenty; the continual search after them, for the sake of their furs, having greatly lessened their number.

Notwithstanding the severity of the climate, the inhabitants are not destitute of horned cattle, though they find it difficult to procure food for them during the severity of the winter. The inhabitants have also their small kitchen-gardens for summer-herbs; but all the other species of provisions, flour, salt, meat, &c. are brought from Boston, Pennsylvania, and other colonies to the southward. With regard to goods of other kinds, they are brought from England.

Tho' all the coasts of Newfoundland may be said to abound in cod, yet in some parts it is found in greater plenty than in others. This is owing to the quality of the bottom; for where it is sandy, the fish are far more numerous than where it is rocky; but if the bottom be muddy, fish are very scarce. The depth of water should also be considered; for though cod may be found in all depths, yet they are not taken in such plenty as between thirty and forty fathom.

When a ship has taken her station, she is immediately unrigged, and at the same time a proper place chosen for securing the fish as prepared. Huts are likewise run up for the men who work ashore, so as to form a kind of village; and at the water's edge a large stage or scaffold is erected. Here the number of shallops destined for the fishery is got ready, and, when the season is over, left there till the next year; when he who first enters the bay has the liberty of applying them to his own use. Every thing being ready, the whole ship's company, officers included, without any exception, are divided into as many classes as there are different occupations; some fish, some cut off the heads, some gut the fish, and others have the care of salting and laying them up. The fishers go out early in their boats, that they may be at their station by day-break, and do not return till the evening, unless they happen to have loaded their boat before. This fishery is wholly carried on with a hook; and every boat is provided with a sufficient quantity of fishing-tackle, in case of any accident in breaking their lines, or losing their hooks. On their return, the fish is delivered to those who open them; and that this may be done with the greater dispatch, a boy stands by to hand the fish to them, and take them away when finished. This work is done in a very methodical manner; for he that beheads them does nothing else. They are opened with one cut length-ways, the back-bone and all their entrails taken out, and the offals thrown into the water. While some open the fish, others are employed in salting, and others in laying them in heaps. The next day, or when the salt appears to have penetrated the fish, they wash them, to take off the scum extracted by the salt; afterwards, that the water may drain off, they are piled up on little boards; then they are stretched out, one by one, with the skins upwards, for drying, and turned three or four times. When thoroughly dry, they are piled up in small parcels, that they may not entirely

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lose the heat communicated to them by the first salt; and now, being salted a second time, they are piled up in regular heaps on the stage, where they remain till the time of shipping them. As the boats go constantly every day, the work of the several classes may be imagined to be hard and fatiguing. On the return of the boats, they immediately begin with opening and salting the fish, which takes up the greater part of the night; and the succeeding parts of the cutting above mentioned necessarily employs them the following day, when the return of the shallops calls upon them to renew their task; so that they have very few hours left for sleep and refreshment.

What is called the Great Bank of Newfoundland is, properly speaking, a vast mountain under water, about five hundred and thirty miles in length, and two hundred and seventy-two in breadth. The depth of the water is very unequal, from fifteen to sixty fathoms. The bottom is covered with a vast quantity of shells, and frequented by vast shoals of small fish, most of which serve as food to the cod, which are here in amazing plenty; for though two or three hundred vessels have been annually loaded with them, during the last and present centuries, yet the prodigious consumption has not lessened the plenty. And we cannot help observing, this fishing is a mine of greater value than any of those in Mexico or Peru.

This island was discovered by Sebastian Cabot, for Henry VII. King of England, in 1497, about four years after Columbus had discovered the new world. Settlements, (in the next reign), after repeated attempts, were at last effected. The English had been in possession of Newfoundland near sixty years before the French made any settlements on the island. In a war with England, they took Placentia, and some other settlements; but after various disputes about property, the island was entirely ceded to Great Britain, by the treaty of Utrecht, in 1713; but the French reserved a liberty of taking and drying fish in the island; and by the last treaty of peace, they still continue the same liberty, though in some measure restricted.

The principal places in the island are, St John's, Placentia, and Bonavista. St John's is situated on a fine bay or harbour, capable of containing three hundred sail of ships. The entrance is not above half musket-shot over, lies between two high mountains, and is defended by a small battery. Here is a small fort, and a feeble garrison, and a little town, containing about sixty families. The fort is scarce capable of making any resistance; and therefore has always submitted to any force that has been sent against it. Considering the importance which the island is of to Great Britain, it is to be wondered, that the fortifications have not been put on a more respectable footing; for the same is the case with Placentia, whose bay is ten leagues deep, and its harbour is at the bottom of the bay; which is very commodious; and here the vessels fish as in a river. Placentia is a better town than St John's. Bonavista is but a poor place, on a fine bay; and from its natural strength, more than its fortifications, it has never changed masters.

Many advantages accrue to Great Britain and her colonies from this fishery; for, at the lowest computation, they annually employ three thousand small craft; on board of which, and to cure and dry the fish ashore, are at least fifteen thousand hands: so this fishery is not only a valuable source of trade to the merchant, but finds a livelihood to many thousands of poor people; and is a most excellent nursery to the royal navy; and, lastly, this fishery is computed to increase the national stock L. 300,000 a-year in gold and silver, remitted to us for the cod we sell in the north, in Spain, Portugal, Italy, and the Levant.

Colonel Amberst wrote the following Letter to M. d' Haussenville.

SIR,

Camp before St John's, Sept. 16. 1762.

Humanity directs me to acquaint you of my firm intentions. — I know the miserable state your garrison is left in, and am fully informed of your design of blowing up the Fort on quitting it; but have a care, for I have taken measures effectually to cut off your retreat; and so sure as a match is put to the train, every man of the garrison shall be put to the sword.

I must have immediate possession of the fort in the state it now is, or expect the consequences.

I give you half an hour to think of it.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient humble Servant,

WM AMHERST.

To the Officer commanding in St John's.

Translation of a Letter from Count d' Haussenville to Lieutenant-Colonel Amberst, dated St John's, September 16. 1762.

With regard to the conduct I shall hold, you may, Sir, be misinformed. I wait for your troops and your cannon; and nothing shall determine me to surrender the Fort, unless you shall have totally destroyed it, and that I shall have no more powder to fire.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your most humble,
and most obedient Servant,

LE COMTE D'HAUSSONVILLE.

The 17th a mortar battery was completed, and a battery begun for four twenty-four pounders, and two twelve pounders, about five hundred yards from the Fort. At night, the mortar-battery opened with one eight-inch mortar, seven cohorns, and six royals. The enemy fired pretty briskly from the Fort, and threw some shells. The 18th, in the

the morning, M. d'Haussonville sent out the following letter to Lieutenant Colonel Amherst.

S I R,

Under the uncertainty of the succours which I may receive, either from France or its allies, and the fort being entire, and in a condition for a long defence, I am resolved to defend myself to the last extremity. The capitulation which you may think proper to grant me, will determine me to surrender the place to you, in order to prevent the effusion of the blood of the men who defend it.

Whatever resolution you come to, there is one left for me, which would hurt the interests of the Sovereign you serve.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient humble Servant,

LE COMTE D' HAUSSONVILLE.

Fort St John, Sept. 17. 1762.

Colonel Amherst returned him the following Answer :

S I R,

Camp before St John's, S. pt. 17. 1762.

I have just had the honour of your letter. His Briannic Majesty's fleet and army co-operating here, will not give any other terms to the garrison of St John's, than their surrendering prisoners of war.

I don't thirst after the blood of the garrison; but you must determine quickly, or expect the consequences, for this is my final determination.

I am, Sir, your most obedient humble Servant,

To Count d' Haussonville.

WILLIAM AMHERST.

To this determinate letter of Colonel Amherst's, M. d' Haussonville returned the following answer.

St John's, September 18. 1762.

I have received, Sir, your letter, which you did me the honour to write to me.

I am as averse as you to the effusion of blood. I consent to surrender the Fort in a good condition, as I have already acquainted you, if the demands, which I inclose herewith, are granted to my troops.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your most humble and most obedient Servant,

LE COMTE D' HAUSSONVILLE.

As Lord Colville was at this time some distance from the coast, and the wind not permitting him to stand in, to give his concurrence to the capitulation, Colonel Amherst thought it best to determine it, without his Lordship's presence, as no time was to be lost in so advanced a season.

ARTICLES of CAPITULATION.

Demands of the Garrison of St John, and, in general, of the Troops that are in it.

ARTICLE 1. The French troops shall surrender prisoners of war.

Ans. Agreed to.

ART. 2. The officers and subaltern officers shall keep their arms, to preserve good order among their troops.

Ans. Agreed to.

ART. 3. Good ships shall be granted to carry the officers, grenadiers, and private men, either wounded or not, to France, in space of one month, on the coast of Brittany.

Ans. Agreed to. Lord Colville will, of course, embark them as soon as he possibly can.

ART. 4. The goods and effects of both the officers and soldiers shall be preserved.

Ans. His Britannic Majesty's troops never pillage.

The gate will be taken possession of this afternoon, and the garrison will lay down their arms.

WM AMHERST.

This is to be signed by Lord Colville, but it will remain at present, as afterwards, in full force.

LE COMTE D'HAUSSONVILLE.

The French Garrison consisted of

1 Colonel	13 Lieutenants
1 Lieutenant-Colonel	4 Ensigns
1 Major and Adjutant	27 Serjeants
1 Engineer	45 Corporals
1 Surgeon-Major	40 Sub-Corporals
1 Chaplain	12 Drummers
13 Captains	533 Fuzileers
Total,	683

Our loss upon this occasion, amounted to——1 Lieutenant, and 11 Rank and File, killed; 3 Captains, 2 Serjeants, 1 Drummer, and 32 Rank and File, wounded.

A List of the Land-forces sent against St John's, Newfoundland.

<i>Artillery.</i>		
1st, or Royal reg. 4 companies,	237	Four 24 pounders.
45th reg. 5 ditto,	395	Six 12 ditto.
77th reg. 3 ditto,	158	Two light 6 ditto.
Draughted from different corps,	191	Four 6 ditto.
Provincials,	520	Two ten-inch mortars.
Royal Artillery,	58	One 8 ditto ditto.
		Six Royals.
		Six cohorns.
		Four howitzers.
Total,	1559	

Formed into two battalions, commanded by Lieut.-Col. Tuliken, and Major Sutherland.

Note 195. A List of the French Squadron under M. de Ternay, that took St John's Newfoundland, in 1762.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Le Robuste,	74	M. de Ternay.
L' Eveillé,	64	
La Garonne,	44	
Le Licorne,	32	
A bomb-ketch.		

They had 1500 troops on board commanded by M. d' Hauffonville.

A List of the Ships of War under the command of Captain Rowley, when he fell in with M. de Ternay's Fleet.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Superb,	74	Capt. Joshua Rowley.
Gosport,	44	John Jervis.
Danae,	38	Henry Martin.

A List of the Squadron under the command of Lord Colville.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Northumberland,	70	Alex. Lord Colville, Commodore.
		Capt. Nath. Bateman.
Antelope,	50	Thomas Graves.
Gosport,	44	John Jervis.
Syren,	24	Charles Douglas.
Armed ship,	20	

A List of the Ships sent from England to reinforce Lord Colville.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Shrewsbury,	74	Capt. Hugh Palliser.
Superb,	74	Joshua Rowley.
Bedford,	64	Wm Martin.
Minerva,	32	Joseph Peyton.

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Note 196. A List of his Majesty's Ships in the Mediterranean under the command of Vice-Admiral Saunders, in 1762.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Blenheim,	90	Vice-Admiral Sir Cha. Saunders, K. B.
Newark,	80	Capt. Brod. Hartwell. Commodore Sir Piercy Brett. Capt. Inglis.
Arrogant,	74	Amherst.
Hercules,	74	Porter.
Thunderer,	74	Proby.
Warpight,	74	Willet.
Dorsetshire,	70	John Campbell.
Chichester,	70	Elliot.
Africa,	64	A. Hood.
Bellicieux,	64	Edwards.
Bienfaillant,	64	Balfour.
Somerfet,	64	E. Hughes.
Anson,	60	Whitwell.
Dunkirk,	60	Digby.
Firme,	60	Ferguson.
Jersey,	60	Wilkinson.
Montagu,	60	Parry.
Ifis,	50	C. Meadows.
Preston,	50	T. Evans.

FRIGATES.

Pallas,	36	Clements.
Quebec,	32	Gower.
Thetis,	32	Moutray.
Brune,	32	Tonyn.
Vestal,	32	S. Hood.
Montreal,	32	Howe.
Active,	28	Sawyer.
Sheerness,	24	J. Clarke.
Gibraltar,	24	Griffith.
Favourite,	18	Pownel.
Shannon,		Stirling.

Account

Account of the Sale, Charges, and net Proceeds of the Ship La Hermione, a Spanish Register Ship, condemned in the High Court of Admiralty of Great Britain, September 14. 1762.

By the sale of 550 bags of dollars to fundries, containing 476,518 oz. at 63½ d.	£.	126,078	14	3
By 1346 ditto, to fundries, 1,165,652 oz. at 63 d.		305,983	13	0
Oct. 11. By 28 bags of gold coin to Bank of England, weighing 22,974 oz. 3 dwt. 18 gr. at 78s. 6d.		90,173	13	8
By 4 ingots of gold, at their various essays rendered 621 oz. 1 dwt. 14 gr. standard, at 78 s. 6 d.				
—	£.	2,437	14	8
By 1 ditto as above, 11 oz. 15 dwt. 9 gr. at 79 s.				
		46	11	3
By 34 ingots silver as above rendered 18,863 oz. 3 gr. standard, at 64 d.	£.	5,030	3	5
By 3 ditto as above, 527 oz. 1 gr. at 65 d.		142	14	10
By 6 oz. 6 dwt. 2 gr. fine gold in two ingots at 86 s.	£.	27	5	3
Deduct expences of parting 445 oz. gilt silver, at 4 d.		7	8	4
		19	16	11
By fundry trinkets, &c. sold to fundries for		5,192	15	0
Oct. 7. By 427 serons, and 306 bags Guiaquil cocoa, sold at Garraway's Coffee-house, by public sale, in 60 lots, weighing together net 1029 cwt. 6 lb. at various prices, from 101 s. to 109 s. per cwt.		424	7	7
—	£.	5371	19	2
Discount 2½ per cent.,		134	6	4
		5,237	12	10
Nov. 11. By 1939 blocks of tin sold this day as above, in 39 lots, to fundries, weighing net 1065 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb. at various prices, from 92 s. to 100 s. per cwt. and produced	£.	5168	0	9
Discount 2½ per cent.,		129	4	0
		5,038	16	9
Carried forward,	£.	540,614	0	0

Brought forward,	-	£. 540,614	0	•
By 8 bales Vigonia, and 1 ditto Alpalca wool, sold at public sale in 9 lots to sundries, weighing net 545 lb. from 3½d. to 7s. 4d. per lb.	£. 141	8	0	
By 9 bolts canvas, sold as above, at 30s.	13	10	0	
By 1 case saddle-cloths, ditto,	-	0	10	0
	£. 155	8	0	
Discount 2½ per cent.,	-	3	17	8
By 61 barrels gunpowder, containing 34 cwt. at 6os.		151	10	4
By a launch belonging to the ship, sold by Thomas Mayne and Company at Gibraltar, for ps. 51. 1. 6. at 40d.		102	0	0
1763. March 4. By the ship Hermione, with all her tackle, apparel, and furniture, guns, stores, &c. sold this day at public sale, for		8	10	6
May 16. By a bounty bill for 165 men, dated January 1763, at 5 l. is	£. 825	0	0	
Deduct sold at 7½ discount, £. 61 17 6		3,010	0	•
Brokerage, ⅙,	-	1	1	0
		62	18	6
		762	1	6
Total amount,	-	£. 544,648	1	6

Charges.

For freight of the treasure from Gibraltar,	-	£. 5303	6	0
For duties paid on the cargo at the custom-house, with officers-fees, and amount of the subsidy 1747, on the cocoa not drawn back,	-	3030	6	0
For brokerage paid on selling the treasure, cargo, and ship,	-	747	5	•
For all charges of lighterage, landing, and wharfage, and warehouse rent, &c. on the cargo, &c. expences paid on the ship at Gibraltar and England, and all other contingent charges whatever,	-	1685	4	6
For commission on the gold and silver coin,	-	£. 13055	18	0
For ditto on remaining produce of the prize,	1120	12	0	
		14176	10	0
		24,942	11	6
Net proceeds,	-	£. 519,705	10	•
		Distribution		

Distribution of the foregoing net proceeds, viz.

To the Admiral and Commadore,	-	£. 64,963	3	9
<i>Allice's Share.</i>				
To the Captain,	-	65,053	13	9
To 3 Commission Officers, at £. 13,004	14	1 each, is	39,014	2 3
To 8 Warrant ditto,	4,336	3	2	34,689 5 4
To 20 Petty ditto,	1,806	10	10	36,130 17 8
To 158 Seamen, &c.	485	5	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	76,132 13 0

Favourite's Share.

To the Captain,	-	64,872	13	9
To 2 Commission Officers, at £. 12,974	10	9 each, is	25,949	1 6
To 7 Warrant ditto,	4,324	10	11	30,273 8 5
To 16 Petty ditto,	1,802	0	4	28,832 6 3
To 110 Seamen, &c.	484	2	5	53,253 14 4

£. 519,705 10 0

London, 22d July 1763, Errors excepted,

(Signed) HERBERT SAWYER, T. MAYNE,
RICH. DACRES, THO. TIERNEY, } Agents.
HEN. BLANKLEY, SAM. MORE,

N. B. The Active being entitled to the whole bounty-money, occasions the difference in the shares between the two ships.

Note 197. A Description of Buenos Ayres, in the River de la Plata.

Buenos Ayres is the principal sea port the Spaniards have in South America, on the Atlantic Ocean. It lies in W. Lon. 57. 32. S Lat. 34. 30. in the province of La Plata, upon the south side of the river of that name, called by the Spaniards Rio de la Plata, or the River of Plate. It is situated upon a rising ground fifty leagues from the entrance of the river, which is here seven leagues broad, and is navigable a considerable way higher; but some cataracts in the river, about sixty leagues above the town, prevent the navigation of it with ships any farther up. The Spaniards discovered this country in 1515, by sailing up the river, and founded Buenos Ayres, so called from the excellence of the air, and pleasantness of the situation. The town consists of two principal streets, crossing each other; has six churches, one of which is the cathedral, and four others belonging to four different monasteries. It is the see and seat of a Bishop, suffragan to the Archbishop of Charcas, who has under him three canons and other clergy. It is the residence of the Spanish Governor, who lives in the fort, on the walls of which are mounted forty cannon, and the garrison consists generally of five hundred regular troops. There are a great many shallows in the river, which make it of very difficult navigation; which perhaps is the reason why the Spaniards do not send a regular fleet here from Europe, as they do to other ports.

Two or three register-ships make the whole of their intercourse with Spain. There are a good many merchants from Europe and Peru settled here, who make very considerable returns to Europe of the gold and silver of Chili and Peru, sugar, and hides. The traffic of the two former is carried on by means of the Paraguay and Parana, and other rivers, which fall into the Rio de la Plata. This is the first place of note belonging to Spain to the southward of Brazil, and from the contiguity of the Portuguese settlements, a very considerable contraband trade is carried on with the Spaniards; but since a settlement has been effected by us on Falkland's islands, it is to be hoped that we will come in for our share of this beneficial commerce. The winters here are very rainy, frequent storms of wind, with thunder and lightning, which often do much mischief. The summers are exceeding hot, and would become intolerable, if not alleviated by a cooling breeze from the river, which begins about eight in the morning, and continues till evening.

The country about Buenos Ayres differs from most others of America, as it is almost destitute of wood; but they have the finest and most fruitful plains in the world, covered with innumerable quantities of horned cattle and horses running wild. By this they drive a considerable trade in hides. The territory about Buenos Ayres in possession of the Spaniards is of great extent, is very fertile in fruits of all sorts, would be still more so if properly cultivated, especially with corn; but the people are lazy, and content themselves with what the soil produces without much labour. They had formerly vines here, from which they made most exquisite wine, besides a vast quantity of grapes dried for use; but as most of the vines were destroyed one year by insects, the laziness of the inhabitants is such, that they have not been at the trouble to get fresh plants.

This country is not in a condition to make great defence in case of an attack; and as possession of Buenos Ayres would entirely command the river, it would give a mortal wound to the Spanish trade in this part of the world; and in case we are to have a war with Spain, it is to be hoped that our ministry would think of attacking the Spanish settlements here, which are in a most defenceless state.

Note 193. A List of the Squadron under the command of Commodore Spry cruising off Brest, 1762.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Mars,	74	{ Richard Spry, Commodore. Capt. J. Luttrell.
Ocean,	90	
Fame,	74	Langdon.
Burford,	70	Byron.
Revenge,	64	Gambier.
Edlex,	64	Vernon.
Lyon,	60	Schomberg.
Aquilon,	28	Le Cras.
		Ogle.

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Note 199. A List of the Squadron under the command of
Commodore Denis in Basque Road, 1762.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Bellona,	74	{ Commodore Denis. Capt. Charles Ellys.
Sandwich,	90	
Royal William,	84	R. Norbury.
Hero,	74	Hugh Pigot.
Buckingham,	70	Hon. S. Barrington.
Monmouth,	64	P. Parker.
Prince Frederick,	64	J. Storr.
Trident,	64	Jer. Maplefen.
Dreadnought,	60	B. Clive.
Phœnix,	44	M. Moore.
Boston,	32	Chr. Bethel.
Mermaid,	24	Sir Tho. Adams.
		Geo. Watfon.

Note 200. A List of the Fleet under the command of Sir Ed-
ward Hawke, 1762.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Royal George,	100	{ Sir Edward Hawke, Admiral of the Blue, Capt. Bennet.
Princess Amelia,	80	
Prince,	90	{ The Duke of York, Rear-Ad- miral of the Blue, Capt. Lord Viscount Howe.
Ocean,	90	
Magnanime,	74	Ben. Marlow.
Hero,	74	W. Langdon.
Lancaster,	66	C. Saxton.
Nassau,	64	Hon. S. Barrington.
Essex,	64	M. Suckling.
Revenge,	64	Ja. Sayer.
Prince of Orange,	60	A. Schomberg.
Achilles,	60	Ed. Vernon.
Launceston,	40	S. Wallis.
Æolus,	32	Jon. Faulknor, <i>acting</i> .
Tartar,	28	Edm. Affleck.
		W. Hotham.
		John Knight.

Note 201. A List of the Fleet under the command of Sir Charles Hardy, 1762.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Union,	90	{ Sir Charles Hardy, Vice-Admiral of the Blue, Capt. John Evans. R. Highness the Duke of York,
Princess Amelia,	80	
Royal George,	100	{ Capt. Rich. Viscount Howe. W. Bennet.
Prince,	90	Ben. Mariow.
Ocean,	90	W. Langdon.
Magnanime,	74	Charles Saxton.
Hero,	74	Hon. S. Barrington.
Lancaster,	66	Maur. Suckling.
Revenge,	64	Ed. Vernon.
Nassau,	64	Ja. Sayer.
Effex,	64	Alex. Schomberg.
Prince of Orange,	60	Sam. Wallis.
Achilles,	60	Jon. Faulknor, <i>ailing</i> .
Launceston,	40	Edm. Alleck.
Eolus,	32	Will. Hotham.
Tartar,	28	Hon. H. St John.

Note 202. A List of the Squadron under the command of Commodore Man, off Brest, in Summer 1762.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Cornwall,	74	Capt. Robert Man, Commodore.
Mars,	74	
Torbay,	74	
Fame,	74	
Burford,	70	
Prince Frederick,	64	
Lyon,	60	
Coventry,	28	
Unicorn,	28	
Liverpool,	28	

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Lys,

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Raifona

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Loire,
Diana,

Echo,
Galath

Guirla
Robust

Duc d'

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Formio

Temer
Centau

Modest
Duc d'

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Note 203. A List of French and Spanish Ships of War, taken, destroyed, or lost, from the commencement to the conclusion of the War.

French Ships taken during the War.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>By whom taken.</i>
1755.		
Elperance,	74	{ The Orford and Revenge, in the Bay of Biscay.
Alcide,	64	
Lys,	64	{ By the Dunkirk and Defiance, two of Admiral Boscawen's fleet in North America.
1756.		
Arc-en-Ciel,	50	{ Litchfield and Norwich, in North America.
Royal Chariot,	36	
Pondicherry *,	24	Dover.
1757.		
Duc d'Aquitaine *,	64	Eagle and Medway, off Lisbon.
Bein Acquis,	38	Sheerness and Chichester.
Emeraud,	28	Southampton, off Brest.
Hermione,	28	Unicorn.
A new sloop,	16	Phoenix privateer, of Jersey.
1758.		
Foudroyant,	84	{ By Admiral Osborne's squadron, in the Mediterranean.
Orphée,	64	
Raisnable,	64	By the Dorsetshire, in the Bay of Biscay.
Beliqueux,	64	By the Antelope, in the Bristol channel.
Bienfaisant,	64	By the boats of the fleet at Louisburg.
Loire,	44	By the St Alban's, in the Mediterranean.
Diana,	36	{ By the { Boreas, { two ships of Admiral Boscawen's squadron at Louisburg.
Echo,	28	
Galathée,	22	By the Essex, off Brest.
Guirland,	22	Rocheester and Renown, off Cherburg.
Robuste, flute,	24	{ By the Alcide and Acéon, in the Bay of Biscay.
Duc d'Hanover,	14	
1759.		
Formidable,	80	{ Sir Edward Hawke's fleet, on 20th of November.
Temeraire,	74	
Centaur,	74	{ By Admiral Boscawen's fleet, off Cape Lagos.
Modeste,	64	
Duc de Chartres *,	60	By the Windfor.
Compte de St Florentine †,	60	{ Achilles.

Ships.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>By whom taken.</i>
Danae,	38	Southampton and Melampe.
Bellone,	32	Vestal.
Arethusa,	32	Chatham, Venus, and Thames.
Hermione,	26	} Admiral Cotes's squadron at Jamaica.
Hardi †,	20	
Valeur †,	24	Favourite sloop.
Mignone,	20	Æolus and Isis.
Berkeley,	20	Crescent.
1760.		
Marshall de Belleisle,	44	} Æolus, Pallas, and Brilliant.
Blonde,	32	
Terpsichore,	26	} Boreas, { two of Admiral Holmes's squa-
Syrenne,	32	
Valeur †,	20	
Epreuve,	14	} Lively, { dron, at Jamaica.
1761.		
Courageux,	74	Bellona and Brilliant.
Bertin *,	64	Hero and Venus.
St Ann,	64	} Admiral Holmes's squadron on the Jamaica
Warwick,	60	
Oreflame,	50	Minerva.
Achille,	64	} Isis.
Bouffon,	64	
Entreprenant †,	32	} Sir Charles Saunders's squadron in the Me-
Vestale,	32	
Comette,	44	diterranean.
Balleine *,	44	Vengeance.
Hermione *,	32	Unicorn.
Brune,	32	Bedford.
Bien Amis †,	32	} By the boats of the fleet under Admiral
Pheasant,	28	
Subtile *,	28	} Stevens, off Pondicherry.
Anemoine,	20	
Sardoine,	32	Venus and Juno.
1762.		
Zephyr,	20	Trent, in the West Indies.
Opale,	16	Albany.
Oiseau,	16	Aquilon.
Tyger †,	14	} Mars and Orford, in the Bay of Biscay.
Boulogne *,	14	
Boutin *,	26	Torbay and Lyon.
Escuriel,	26	Phoenix.
Crozen,	26	Brune.
	26	King George privateer, of Bristol.
	20	Venus.
	20	Blonde.
	10	Fame.
	6	Venus.

Those marked thus *, belonged to the French East-India Company.
Those marked thus †, were merchant-ships armed for war.

Recapitulation

Recapitulation of the above List.

2 of 80 guns.	4 of 28 guns.
4 — 74	6 — 26
11 — 64	3 — 24
3 — 60	2 — 22
2 — 50	7 — 20
7 — 44	2 — 16
2 — 38	4 — 14
2 — 36	1 — 10
9 — 32	1 — 6

Spanish Ships taken during the War.

1762.

Tigre,	70	} Surrendered with the city of Havanna.
Reyno,	70	
Soverano,	70	
Infante,	70	
Aquilon,	70	
America,	60	
Conquestador,	60	} Sunk at the entrance of the harbour of Havanna.
San Genaro,	60	
San Antonio,	60	
Neptuno,	70	
Asia,	64	} Taken at the Manilas by the Panther and Argo.
Europa,	60	
Santissimo Trinidad,	60	} By the Fowey, in the West Indies.
Ventura,	26	
Vinganza,	24	} By the Defiance, in Mariel harbour.
Marté,	18	
Thetis,	22	} By the Alarm, in the old Streights of Bahama.
Phoenix,	18	

Recapitulation of the above List.

6 of 70 guns.	1 of 24 guns.
1 — 64	1 — 22
6 — 60	2 — 18
1 — 26	

List of French Ships destroyed during the War.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Where and by whom destroyed.</i>
Le Soliel Royal,	80	Burnt by Sir Edward Hawke the day after
L'Heros,	74	the action off Belleisle.
L'Ocean,	80	Burnt by the fleet under Admiral Boscawen
Le Redoutable,	74	near Lagos in Portugal.
Le Thesée,	74	Sunk in the engagement on the 20th of No-
Le Superbe,	70	vember, off Belleisle.
Le Prudent,	74	Burnt during the siege of Louisburg.
L'Entreprenant,	74	
Le Capricieux,	64	
Le Celebre,	64	
Le Bien Aimé,	74	Received so much damage in the engage- ment with Admiral Pocock, that the enemy were obliged to run her a- shore.
L'Apollon,	50	Sunk at the entrance of Louisburg har- bour.
La Fidell,	36	
Le Chevre,	16	
Le Biche,	16	Burnt on the stocks at St Malo.
L'Alcion	50	Sunk by the Huffar.
L'Aquilon,	48	Run ashore and destroyed by the Ante- lope.
La Rose,	36	Run ashore and destroyed on the island of Malta, by the Monmouth.
Le Rhinoceros,	36	Taken and afterwards burnt by the Ifis.
	36	Burnt at St Malo.
La Nymphé,	36	Run ashore and destroyed on the island of Majorca by the Hampton Court.
Le Felicité,	32	Destroyed on the coast of Holland by the Richmond.
Le Prince Edward,	32	In the West Indies by Admiral Holmes's squadron.
Le Fleur de Lys,	32	In the Bay de Chaleur by Capt. Byron.
Le Machault,	32	
Le Bienfaisant,	22	At Quebec by Commodore Swanton, in 1760.
Le Marq. de Marloy,	18	
La Pomone,	36	
L'Atalante,	32	

French

Ships
Le Just
L'Opin
Gre-nw
L' Aig
Le Lec
Le Dra
La Jun
L' Her
La Zen
La Mu
La Mir

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French Ships lost by accident during the War.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Where.</i>
Le Juste,	74	At the mouth of the Loire.
L'Opiniatre,	64	In Conquet road, (French account).
Greenwich,	50	
L' Aigle,	50	Lost coming through the Streights of Belleisle in North America.
Le Leopard,	6	
Le Dragon,	64	Burnt at Quebec, having the plague on board.
La Junon,	40	Lost going into Cape François.
L' Hermione,	32	Lost off Mahon.
La Zenobie,	26	Lost coming out of Dunkirk.
La Mutine,	24	Lost on the island of Portland.
La Minerve,	24	Lost on the Dogger Bank.
		Lost near Villa Franca.

Recapitulation of the two foregoing Lists.

Ships of the Line Destroyed.

2 of 80 guns.
6 of 74 —
1 of 70 —
2 of 64 —
3 of 50 —
14

Frigates Destroyed.

1 of 48 guns.
5 of 36 —
4 of 32 —
2 of 28 —
1 of 22 —
1 of 18 —
2 of 16 —
16

French Ships of the Line lost by accident.

1 of 74 guns.
2 of 64 —
1 of 60 —
2 of 50 —
6

Frigates lost by accident

1 of 40 guns.
1 of 32 —
1 of 26 —
2 of 24 —
5

Total Loss of the French Navy during the War.

Ships of the line taken,	22
destroyed,	14
lost,	6
Total,	42

Frigates taken,	46
destroyed,	16
lost,	5
Total,	67

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Note

Note 104. A List of the British Ships of War taken, destroyed, or lost during the War from 1755 to 1763; to which are added the Names of the Captains of the Navy who were killed in Battle, died of their Wounds, or were drowned.

British Ships of War taken.

<i>Year.</i>	<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Where.</i>
1755	Blandford,	20	Off Brest, but afterwards restored.
1756	Warwick,	60	In the West Indies.
1757	Greenwich,	50	Ditto.
	Merlin,	10	Off Brest, retaken next year.
1758	Winchelsea,	20	{ Convoying the South Carolina fleet, soon after retaken.
	Stork,	10	In the West Indies.
1759	Hawke,	12	Off Cape Clear, retaken in 1761.
1760	Virgin,	12	West Indies, retaken the end of the year.
	Penguin,	20	{ Taken on the coast of Portugal, and afterwards sunk.
1761	Speedwell cutt.	10	In the harbour of Vigo.
1762	Grammont,	18	In the harbour of St John's Newfoundland.
1763	Basilisk, bomb,	8	By the Audacieux privateer.

Recapitulation of the above List.

Ships of 60 guns,	1	Ships of 12 guns,	2
50 —	1	10 —	3
20 —	3	8 —	1
18 —	1		
		Total,	12

British Ships of War destroyed, or lost.

<i>Year.</i>	<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Where.</i>
1755	Mars,	64	Going into the harbour of Halifax.
1757	Tilbury,	60	On the rocks near Louisburg.
	Ferret,	12	Foundered off ditto.
1758	Bridgewater,	20	{ Run ashore at Fort St David in the East
	Triton,	20	{ Indies, to prevent their falling into the
			{ enemies hands.
	Prince George,	80	Burnt going to the Mediterranean.
	Invincible,	74	Lost near St Helen's.
	Litchfield,	50	On the coast of Africa.
1759	Resolution,	74	{ On the Four Bank in pursuit of the ene-
	Essex,	64	{ my.
	Tartar's Prize,	24	Sprung a plank in the Mediterranean.
	Falcon, bomb,	8	In the West Indies.

Ships.

	<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Where and by whom destroyed.</i>
1760	Ramillies,	90	On the Bolt head.
	Conqueror,	70	On St Nicholas island near Plymouth.
	Cumberland,	56	Near Goa in the East Indies.
	Harwich,	50	West Indies.
	Griffin,	28	On the island of Barbuda.
	Lyme,	28	North Sea.
	Lowestoffe,	28	} River St Lawrence.
	Eurus,	20	
	Mermaid,	24	Near Bahama.
1761	D. d'Aquitaine,	64	} Foundered off Pondicherry.
	Sunderland,	60	
	Newcastle,	50	} Wrecked near Pondicherry.
	Queenborough,	20	
	Pheasant,	16	Foundered in the Channel.
1762	Raifonable,	64	At Martinico.
	Marlborough,	70	} Foundered on their passage from the Ha-
	Temple,	70	
	Chesterfield,	40	In the old Streights of Bahama.
	S. Sea Castle,	40	At Manila.
	Humber,	40	On the Happesborough Sands.
	Huffar,	28	In the West Indies.
	Biddeford,	20	On the Hazeborough Sands.
	Scorpion,	16	Irish Sea.
	Peregrine,	16	Foundered on her voyage to the W. Indies.
	Savage,	8	Loft in Torbay.
	Epreuve,	14	In her return from South Carolina.

Recapitulation of the above List.

Ships of 90 guns, 1	Ships of 40 guns, 3
80 — 1	28 — 4
74 — 2	24 — 2
70 — 3	20 — 5
64 — 4	16 — 3
60 — 2	14 — 1
56 — 1	12 — 1
50 — 3	8 — 2
Total ships of the line, 17	Total frigates, 21

Total Loss of the British Navy during the course of the War.

British ships of the line taken, 2	British frigates taken, 7
destroyed, 0	destroyed, 3
loft, 17	loft, 21
Total, 19	Total, 31
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List of Captains Killed in Action, Mortally Wounded, or Lost with their Ships.

<i>Year.</i>	<i>Captains.</i>	<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Manner of Death.</i>
1755	Hon S. Hamilton,	Lancaster,	Drowned.
1756	T. Andrews,	Defiance,	Killed
	T. Noel,	Princess Louisa,	Died of wounds.
	Ja. Holburne,	Dispatch sloop,	Killed.
1757	J. Rawlins,	Unicorn,	Ditto.
	H. Barnsley,	Tilbury,	Drowned.
	Fr Upton,	Ferret,	Ditto.
1758	Ar. Gardiner,	Monmouth,	Killed.
	Ja. Hume,	Pluto fireship,	Ditto.
1759	Colin Michie,	Newcastle,	Ditto.
1760	Whitt. Taylor,	Ramillies,	Drowned.
	Lancelot Skinner,	Biddesford,	Killed
	Ed St Loe,	Virgin sloop,	Ditto.
	George Miller,	Racehorse,	Blown up.
1761	Ed Wheeler,	Isis,	Killed
	Jos. Hunt,	Unicorn,	Ditto
	T. Nielson,	Pheasant sloop,	Drowned.
	Sir Will. Hewit,	Duc d'Aquitaine,	Ditto.
	Hon. Ja. Colvill,	Sunderland,	Ditto.
1762	W. Goofrey,	Cambridge,	Killed.
	R Man,	Milford,	Ditto.
	Walker,	Lurcher,	Ditto.
	Ed. Knowles,	Peregrine sloop,	Drowned.
	T. Gordon,	Biddesford,	Ditto.
	P. Blake,	Epreuve,	Ditto.
	Rd Tiddeman,	Elizabeth,	Ditto.
1763	Lowfield,	Basilisk bomb ketch,	Killed.
	—	Scorpion,	Drowned.
	—	Wolf,	Ditto.

Note 205. A Complete List of the Royal Navy, with the Captains of such Ships as were in Commission at the Conclusion of the War, in December 1763.

FIRST RATES.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Royal Ann *	100	
Britannia *	100	
Royal George,	100	Capt. Wm Bennet.
Royal Sovereign,	100	Francis Holburne, Vice-Admiral of the Red.
		Capt. Rob. Riathorn.

SECOND

S
Barfleur
Blenheim
Duke *
Namur,
Neptune
Ocean,
Prince,
St George
Sandwich
Union,

Royal V
Foudroy
Formida
Cambrid
Princess
Boyne *
Newark,
Princess
Arrogan
Bellona,
Centaur,
Cornwal
Courage
Culloden
Dragon,
Dublin,
Fame,
Hercules
Hero,
Kent,
Lenox,
Magnani
Mars,
Norfolk,
Shrewsb

SECOND RATES.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Barfleur,	90	
Blenheim,	90	{ Sir Cha. Saunders, Vice-Adm. Capt. Broderick Hartwell.
Duke *,	90	
Namur,	90	John Harrifon.
Neptune,	90	James Cranfton.
Ocean,	90	Wm Langdon.
Prince,	90	Ben. Marlow.
St George,	90	{ John Moore, Rear-Admiral. Capt. Tho. Warwick.
Sandwich,	90	Rich. Norbury.
Union,	90	{ Sir Cha. Hardy, Vice Admiral. Capt. Tho. Evans.

THIRD RATES.

Royal William,	84	Hugh Pigot.
Foudroyant, F.	84	Geo. Rodney, Rear-Admiral.
Formidable, F.	80	
Cambridge,	80	Rd Carteret.
Princess Amelia	80	{ Duke of York, Vice Admiral. Capt. Viscount Howe.
Boyne *,	80	
Newark,	80	{ Sir P Brett, Rear-Admiral. Capt. Charles Inglis.
Princess Caroline *,	80	
Arrogant,	74	J. Amherft
Bellona,	74	{ Peter Denis, Commodore. Capt. Cha Ellys.
Centaur, F.	74	T Lempriere.
Cornwall,	74	R. Man.
Courageux *, F.	74	
Culloden,	74	J. Barker.
Dragon,	74	Hon. A J Hervey.
Dublin,	74	Ed. Gascoigne.
Fame,	74	Hon J Byron.
Hercules,	74	J. H. Porter.
Hero,	74	Hon S. Barrington.
Kent,	74	R. Faulknor.
Lenox,	74	R. Jocelyn.
Magnanime, F.	74	J. Montagu.
Mars,	74	{ Rd Spry, Commodore. Capt Hon. J. Luttrell.
Norfolk,	74	{ Cornifh, Vice-Admiral.
Shrewsbury,	74	H. Pallifer.

Ships.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Superb,	74	Capt. Jos. Rowley.
Temeraire, F.	74	Rd Bickerton.
Terrible,	74	Peter Parker.
Thunderer,	74	C. Proby.
Torbay,	74	Wm Brett.
Monarch,	74	L. Leslie.
Valiant,	74	{ Hon. A. Keppel, Rear-Admi- ral.
Warspight,	74	{ Capt. A. Duncan.
Buckingham,	70	W. S. Willet.
Burford,	70	Ed. Le Cras.
Chichester,	70	Ja. Gambier.
Dorsetshire,	70	J. Elliot, senior.
Grafton,	70	J. Campbell.
Northumberland,	70	{ Hon. Lord Colville, Rear-Admi- ral.
Royal Oak *,	70	{ Capt. N. Bateman.
Swiftsure,	70	Sir J. Stanhope.
Vanguard,	70	{ Robert Swanton, Rear-Admi- ral.
Tigre *, S.	70	{ Capt. J. C. Allen.
Reyno *, S.	70	
Moro *, S.	70	
Infante, S.	70	J. Elphinstone.
Soverano *, S.	70	
Aquilon *, S.	70	
Devonshire,	66	M. Barton.
Lancaster,	66	Maur. Suckling.
Orford,	66	M. Arbuthnot.
Africa,	64	Alex Hood.
Alcide, F.	64	T. Hankerson.
Bedford,	64	Wm Martin.
Belleisle, F.	64	Jos. Knight.
Belgiqueux, F.	64	Rich. Edwards.
Captain,	64	J. Brooks.
Bienfaisant, F.	64	Geo. Balfour.
Edinburgh *,	64	
Elizabeth,	64	Isaac Ourry.
Essex,	64	A. Schomberg.
Prince Frederick,	64	Jer. Mapleden.
Edgar,	64	Fr. Wm Drake.
Hampton Court,	64	A. Innis.
Modeste, F.	64	J. Holwall.
Monmouth,	64	J. Storr.
Nassau,	64	Ja. Sayer.

Ships.

Ships.
Reveng
Stirling
Somer
Yarmou

Achille
Americ
St Ann
Anson,
St Ant
August
Conque
Defian
Dreadn
Dunkin
Eagle
Firm,
St Flor
Jersey,
Intrep
Exeter
Lion,
Prince
Prince
Medwa
Montag
Notting
Prince
Panthe
Pembro
Plymo
Rippon
Rupert
Weym
Windfo
Worce
York,
St Alb
Antelo
Affista
Bristol
Canter
Centur
Chatha
Chester
Colche

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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Revenge,	64	Capt. Edward Vernon.
Stirling Castle,	64	Hon. C. Napier.
Somerfet,	64	Ed. Hughes.
Yarmouth *,	6	

FOURTH RATES.

Achilles,	60	Jon. Faulknor.
America,	60	J. Pitchford.
St Ann, F.	60	Wm Harman.
Anson,	60	M. Whitwell.
St Antonio *, S.	60	
Augusta *,	60	
Conquestador *, S.	60	
Defiance,	60	George Mackenzie.
Dreadnought,	60	Matt Moore.
Dunkirk,	60	R. Digby.
Eagle *,	60	
Firm,	60	J. Fergusson.
St Florentine, F.	60	J. Stanton.
Jersey,	60	And. Wilkinson.
Intrepid, F.	60	J. Hale.
Exeter *,	60	
Lion,	60	John Knight.
Princess Louisa *,	60	
Princess Mary,	60	Ja. Shirley.
Medway,	60	J. B. Tinker.
Montagu,	60	Wm Parry.
Nottingham,	60	T. Collingwood.
Prince of Orange,	60	S. Wallis.
Panther.	60	Wm Newfom.
Pembroke,	60	J. Wheelock.
Plymouth *,	60	
Rippon,	60	Ed. Jekyll.
Rupert *,	60	
Weymouth,	60	Rd Collins.
Windfor,	60	Arch. Cleveland.
Worcester *,	60	
York,	60	H. Cowell.
St Alban's,	60	
Antelope,	50	T. Graves.
Affiance,	50	W. Norton.
Bristol *,	50	
Canterbury *,	50	
Centurion,	50	Ja. Galbraith.
Chatham,	50	Tho. Lynn.
Chester,	50	Wm Hay.
Colchester,	50	R. Roddam.

Ships.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Deptford,	50	Capt. Dud. Digges.
Falkland,	50	Wm Tucker.
Falmouth,	50	Wm Brereton.
Gloucester *,	50	
Guernsey,	50	{ James Young, Rear-Admi- ral
Hampshire,	50	{ Capt Ja. Smith.
Nonfuch,	50	Ar. Usher.
Isis, F.	50	Philips Cosby.
Norwich,	50	Wm M'Cleverty.
Preston,	50	J. Evans.
Rocheſter,	50	Fr. S. Drake.
Romney,	50	Hon. R. B. Walsingham.
Ruby *, F.	50	
Sutherland,	50	M. Everitt.
Wincheſter,	50	J. Dalrymple.

FIFTH RATES.

Angleſey *,	44	
Prince Edward,	44	T. Willis.
Feversham *,	44	
Gosport,	44	J. Jervis.
Launceſton,	44	Edm. Affleck.
Glory *,	44	
Lynn,	44	Arch. Millar.
Mary galley,	44	
Penzance,	44	Ph. Botteler.
Ludlow Caſtle,	44	T. Halum.
Phœnix,	44	Chr. Bethel.
Rainbow,	44	M. Robinſon.
Dover,	40	L. Holmes.
Eltham *,	40	
Enterprize,	40	J. Houlton.
Haſtings *,	40	
Hector *,	40	
Love,	40	Taylor Penny.
Pearl *,	40	
Pool *,	40	
Torrington,	40	Rd Smith.
Woolwich,	40	Lucius O'Brien.
Danac, F.	38	Hen. Martin.
Brilliant,	36	Ja. Loggie.
Melampe, F.	36	John Clarke.
Shannon,	36	Charles Medows.
Venus,	36	T. Harriſon.
Pallas,	36	M. Clements.

Ships.

Ships.
Aurora,
Advent,
Alarm,
Arethusa,
Æolus,
Balleine,
Bologn,
Boston,
Blonde,
Diana,
Juno,
Lark,
Minerva,
Montre,
Niger,
Quebec,
Repulse,
Renown,
Richmond,
Sappho,
Southampton,
Stag,
Thames,
Thetis,
Tweed,
Vesta,
Acteon,
Active,
Aquila,
Argo,
Boreas,
Cerberus,
Coventry,
Crescent,
Emerald,
Echo,
Hermion,
Levant,
Liverpool,
Lizard,
Maidstone,
Milford,
Solebay,
Tartar,
Trent,
Unicorn,
Aldboro

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Aurora,	36	Capt. S. Scot.
Adventure,	32	C. Middleton.
Alarm,	32	Charles Wolsley.
Arethusa,	32	Hon. Raley Vane.
Æolus,	32	Wm Hotham.
Balleine, F.	32	Ph. Affleck.
Bologne,	32	Geo. Collier.
Boston,	32	Sir Tho. Adams.
Blonde,	32	Archibald Kennedy.
Diana,	32	Wm Adams.
Juno, F.	32	Hon. Geo. Falconer.
Lark,	32	T. Shirley.
Minerva,	32	Jof Peyton.
Montreal,	32	Wm Howe.
Niger,	32	Thomas Cornewall.
Quebec,	32	Hon. J. L. Gower.
Repulse, F.	32	Sir Alex. Holburne.
Renown,	32	Hon. F. Maitland.
Richmond,	32	Stair Douglas.
Sapphire,	32	Sir J. Strachan.
Southampton,	32	C. Antrobus.
Stag,	32	Wm Bayne.
Thames,	32	John Elliot junior.
Thetis,	32	J. Moutray.
Tweed,	32	Wm Palton.
Vestal, F.	32	S. Hood.

SIXTH RATES.

Aæteon,	28	P. H. Ourry.
Active,	28	H. Sawyer.
Aquilon,	28	C. Ogle.
Argo,	28	Richard King.
Boreas,	28	S. Uvedale.
Cerberus,	28	Charles Webber.
Coventry,	28	Robert Carpenter.
Crescent, F.	28	Robert Brice.
Emerald, F.	28	Tim Edwards.
Echo,	28	J. Lendrick.
Hermione, F.	28	H. Parker, junior.
Levant,	28	John Laforey.
Liverpool,	28	Ed Clark 2d.
Lizard,	28	Fr. Banks.
Maidstone,	28	W. Varlow.
Milford,	28	J. Reynolds.
Solebay,	28	J. Wilson.
Tartar,	28	Hon. H. St John.
Trent,	28	J. Lindfay.
Unicorn,	28	Charles Fielding.
Aldbrough,	24	M. Graham.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Amazon, F.	26	Capt. B. Keith.
Arundel,	20	W. Mainwaring.
Deal Castle,	20	Geo. Tindal.
Flamborough,	24	S. Thompfon.
Fowey,	20	Jof. Mead.
Garland,	20	Francis Reynolds.
Gibraltar,	24	Wal. Griffith.
Glasgow,	24	
Greyhound,	20	Tho. Francis.
Hind,	20	Geo. Johnstone.
Kennington,	24	Rob. Barbor.
Lively,	20	Hon. K. Stewart.
Mercury,	24	Sa G. Goodall.
Nightingale,	20	Lord Wm Campbell.
Portmahon,	20	J. Hinxman.
Rose,	20	J. N. P. Nott.
Rye,	20	Ja. Innes.
Sphinx *,	20	
Dolphin,	24	Robert Keeler.
Experiment *,	24	
Success,	20	J. Botterell.
Scarborough,	20	J. Stott.
Seaford,	20	J. Peighin.
Sheerness,	20	J. Clerk.
Syren,	20	C. Douglas.
Squirrel,	20	Ja. Cranston.
Surprise,	20	Jof. Frain.
Terpichore, F.	26	Hon. J. Ruthven.
Valeur, F.	24	R. Lambert.
Wager,	24	T. Fitzherbert.

SLOOPS.

Albany,	14	Brograve.
Alderney,	10	T. Male.
Antigua,	10	
Badger,	12	H. Scott.
Baltimore,	16	C. Buckner.
Barbadoes,	10	Ja. Hawker.
Bonetta,	16	Ja. Bremer.
Cruizer,	8	Charles Leslie.
Cygnets,	18	Wm Truscott.
Diligence,	12	Wm Osborn.
Dispatch,	14	J. Hodges.
Druid,	10	Ja. Thorpe.
Eicort,	14	J. Bogfter.
Favourite,	16	B. Glover.
Ferret,	18	Ja. Alms.

Ships.

IS
 Flambe
 Fly,
 Fortun
 Gramp
 Gorée,
 Happy
 Hazar
 Horne
 Hound
 Hunter
 Jamaic
 King's
 Laurel
 Lurch
 Lynx,
 Merlin
 Nautil
 Otter,
 Peggy
 Pomon
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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Flamborough's Prize,	8	Capt. Lind.
Fly,	8	Geo. Gayton.
Fortune,	14	S. Cockfield.
Grampus,	14	J. Gill.
Gorée,	8	J. Hicks.
Happy,	8	H. Bromedge.
Hazard,	8	D. Every.
Hornet,	14	Jer. Morgan.
Hound,	14	Rob. Carre.
Hunter,	14	Ja. Fergusson.
Jamaica,	14	Geo. Burdon.
King's-fisher,	10	Ja. Worth.
Laurel,	8	Fr. Grant.
Lurcher,	8	P. Clarke.
Lynx,	10	C. Leslie.
Merlin,	18	Wm Fr. Bourk.
Nautilus,	18	P. Forbes.
Otter,	10	Fr. Davis.
Peggy,	8	C. Hudson.
Pomona, F.	18	J. Milligen.
Pelican,	14	Ed. Mountford.
Porcupine,	14	Ja. Harmood.
Postillion,	18	Hugh Dalrymple.
Ranger,	8	Geo. Douthwaite.
Racehorse,	16	J. Macartney.
Saltash,	14	M. Kearney.
Savage,	8	Geo. Peard.
Scorpion,	16	
Senegal,	16	Wm Forster.
Sardoine,	14	Lem. Shulldham.
Speedwell,	8	Wm Kite.
Spy,	10	Wm Hayward.
Swallow,	16	Ja. Mackenzie.
Swift,	14	Hon. Wm Cornwallis.
Swan,	14	Jac. Lobb.
Tamur,	16	T. Lee.
Trial,	14	Ja. Cunningham.
Vulture,	14	J. M'Bride.
Wasp,	8	Wm Webster.
Weasel,	14	J. Boles.
Wolf,	6	W. Long.
Zephyr,	10	J. L. Gidoin.
Viper,	14	J. Urry.

BOMB-KETCHES.

Blast,	8	J. Hay.
Carcass,	8	R. Fanshaw.
Firedrake,	8	Ja. Orrock.

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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Furnace,	8	Ja. Chaplen.
Grenada,	8	Tho. Frazer.
Infernal,	8	Cha. Roche.
Mortar,	8	J. Symons.
Terror,	8	St John Chinnery.
Thunder,	8	R. Hafwell.

FIRE-SHIPS.

Ætna,	8	H. Pascall.
Cormorant,	8	J. Hamilton.
Lightning,	8	Jos. Norwood.
Pluto,	8	Wm Allen.
Raven,	8	A. Gardner.
Roman Emperor,	8	Wm Locker.
Proserpine,	8	Geo. Talbot.
Salamander,	8	Wm Williams.
Strombolo,	8	M. Pattison.
Vesuvius,	8	Ja. Chads.

STORE-SHIPS.

Crown,	18	Ja. Fettus.
South-Sea Castle,	18	Wm Sherwood.

YACHTS.

Dorset,	10	Wm Williamfon.
Katharine,	8	Henry Marsh.
Augusta,	8	Charles Wray.
Fubbs,	8	Hen. R. Dubois.
Royal Charlotte*,	10	
William and Mary*,	8	
Mary*,	3	

S. Ships taken from Spain.

F. ————— France.

* Ships not in commission at the peace.

The following Ships were added to the Royal Navy after 1756, but were either taken or lost during the course of the War.

<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Resolution,	74	Wrecked.
Temple,	70	Foundered.
Conqueror,	70	Wrecked.
Duc d' Aquitaine,	64	Foundered.
Raisfonable,	64	Wrecked.

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<i>Ships.</i>	<i>Guns.</i>	<i>Commanders.</i>
Emeraud,	28	Worn out.
Unicorn's Prize,	28	Ditto.
Tartar's Prize	28	Sprung a plank, and sunk.
Griffin,	28	Wrecked.
Hussar,	28	Ditto.
Penguin,	20	Taken.
Eurus,	20	Wrecked.
Pheasant,	16	Ditto.
Epreuve,	14	Foundered.

Note 206. A complete List of the Spanish Navy as it stood in 1759.

<i>Ships Names.</i>	<i>No. of Guns.</i>	<i>Where Built.</i>	<i>When Launched.</i>	<i>Builders Names.</i>
Ferdinando,	60	Ferrol,	Sept. 8. 1751.	Rich. Rooth.
Asia,	60	—	Mar. 17. 1752.	—
El Oriente,	68	—	Aug. 15. 1753.	—
El Leola,	68	—	— 28. —	—
El Aquilon,	68	—	Mar. 10. 1754.	—
El Neptune,	68	—	July 6. —	—
El Brillante,	68	—	Aug. 20. —	—
El Glorioso,	68	—	Feb. 5. 1755.	—
El Guerrero,	68	—	Mar. 27. —	—
El Vincedor,	68	—	May 11. —	—
El Soberano,	68	—	Aug. 8. —	—
El Hector,	68	—	Sept. 22. —	—
El Galardo,	68	—	Oct. 18. —	—
El Magniminte,	68	—	Nov. 30. —	—
El Dichofo,	68	—	—	—
El Diligente,	68	—	Sept. 25. 1756.	—
El Triumphante,	68	—	—	—
El Monarcho,	68	—	Jan. 27. 1758.	—
El Campion,	58	—	—	—
El Serio,	68	—	Dec. 10. 1753.	—
El Arogante,	68	St Andero,	—	D. Howel.
El Superbe,	68	—	—	—
El Podoroso,	68	—	—	—
El Contento,	68	—	Nov. 6. 1755.	—
El Hercules,	68	—	Oct. 21. —	—
El Principe,	68	—	Building.	Rich. Rooth.
El Victorioso,	68	—	—	—
El Septentrion,	60	Carthagena,	Nov. 26. 1751.	Ed. Bryant.
El Tridente,	58	—	July 15. 1754.	—
El Terrible,	68	—	Nov. 16. —	—
El Atlante,	68	—	Sept. 28. —	—

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<i>Ships Names.</i>	<i>No. of Guns.</i>	<i>Where Built.</i>	<i>When Launched.</i>	<i>Builders Names.</i>
Africa,	68	Cadiz,	Nov. 20. 1752.	Mat. Mullan.
El Firme,	68	—	June 22. 1754.	—
El Aquilles,	68	—	Sept. 5. —	—
La Espana,	62	—	—	—
El Conquistador,	58	—	—	—
El Phenix,	80	Havanna,	1751.	—
El Rayo,	80	—	—	—
La Reyna,	70	—	Rebuilt 1757.	—
El Tigre,	70	—	Launched 1751.	—
La Princesa,	70	—	—	—
La Galicia,	70	—	—	—
El Infante,	70	—	—	—
El San Philippe,	70	—	Repaired.	—
El America,	60	—	Repairing at Carthagena.	—
El Dragon,	60	—	— at Cadiz.	—
El Europa,	60	—	Built 1727.	—
La Castilla,	60	—	— 1729.	—
El Fuerte,	50	—	—	—
El Astuto,	50	—	Building.	—
Galgo,	22	Ferrol,	Mar. 2. 1751.	Rich. Rooth.
Mars,	16	—	Aug. 9. —	—
Gitano, xebec,	18	Carthagena,	Ap. 21. 1723.	Ed. Bryant.
Adventurero, do.	30	—	May 12. —	—
La Palas,	26	—	Feb. 14. 1755.	—
La Dorado,	22	—	Feb. 15. 1753.	—
La Esmeraldo,	30	—	May 12. —	—
La Perla,	22	—	Feb. 14. —	—
La Estrea,	26	—	—	—
La Juno,	26	—	Aug. 30. 1755.	—
La Venganza,	24	Cadiz,	1753.	Mat. Mullan.
La Victoria,	24	—	—	—
La Ermiona,	24	—	—	—
La Aquila,	22	—	—	—
La Flecha,	22	—	—	—
El Mercurio,	18	—	April 2. —	—
El Jupiter,	18	—	—	—
La Ventura,	26	—	Oct. 21. 1755.	—
La Venus,	26	—	Sept. 13. —	—
La Industrea,	26	—	June 12. —	—
La Liebre,	26	—	July 26. —	—
El Andalusia,	30	—	— 29. 1759.	—
La Flora,	20	—	—	—
El Diligente,	—	—	—	—
El Jason,	20	French Built, employed as a store-ship.		
La Concepcion,	20	—	—	—
El Esterope,	16	} Bomb-Ketches.	—	—
El Bronse,	16		—	—

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<i>Ships Names.</i>	<i>No. of Guns.</i>	<i>Where Built.</i>	<i>When Launched.</i>
El Pieramonte,	16	} Bomb-Ketches.	
El Bulcano,	16		
El Truexo,	}	} Fire-Ships.	
El Relampazo,			
El Rayo,			
El Cazotta,	22	Haveques,	
El Catalan,	22	_____	
El Ibicinco,	22	_____	
El Gabillan,	20	_____	
El Volante,	18	_____	
El Cafador,	18	_____	
El Lubre,	16	Majorca,	} Since the peace.
El Galgo,	16	_____	
El Majorquin,	16	_____	
El Valenciano,	14	_____	
El St Fernando,	60	Havanna,	Serves as a hulk at Cadiz.

Note 207. Preliminary Articles of Peace, between his Britannic Majesty, the Most Christian King, and the Catholic King, which were signed at Fountainbleau, the 3d of November 1762.

In the Name of the Most Holy Trinity,

The King of Great Britain, and the Most Christian King, animated with a reciprocal desire to re-establish union and good understanding between them, as well for the good of mankind in general, as for that of their respective kingdoms, states, and subjects, having reflected, soon after the rupture between Great Britain and Spain, on the state of the negotiation of last year, (which unhappily had not the desired effect), as well as on the points in dispute between the crowns of Great Britain and Spain; their Britannic and Most Christian Majesties began a correspondence, to endeavour to find means to adjust the differences subsisting between their said Majesties. At the same time, the Most Christian King having communicated to the King of Spain these happy dispositions, his Catholic Majesty was animated with the same zeal for the good of mankind, and that of his subjects, and resolved to extend and multiply the fruits of peace, by his concurrence in such laudable intentions. Their Britannic, Most Christian, and Catholic Majesties, having, in consequence, maturely considered all the above points, as well as the different events which have happened during the course of the present negotiation, have, by mutual consent, agreed on the following articles, which shall serve as a basis to the future treaty of peace. For which purpose, his Britannic Majesty has named and authorised, John Duke and Earl of Bedford, Marquis of Tavistock, &c. Minister of State to the King of Great Britain, Lieutenant-

tenant-General of his Forces, Keeper of his Privy Seal, Knight of the Most Noble order of the Garter, and his Britannic Majesty's Minister-Plenipotentiary to his Most Christian Majesty; his Most Christian Majesty, Cæsar Gabriel de Choiseul, Duke of Praslin, Peer of France, Knight of the Most Christian King's orders, Lieutenant-General of his Forces, Counsellor in all his Councils, and Minister and Secretary of State of his Commands and Finances; and his Catholic Majesty has likewise named and authorised Don Jerome Grimaldi, Marquis de Grimaldi, Knight of the Most Christian King's orders, Gentleman of the Bed-chamber to his Catholic Majesty in employment, and his Ambassador-Extraordinary to his Most Christian Majesty; who, after having duly communicated to each other their full powers in good form, have agreed on the following articles.

ARTICLE 1. As soon as the preliminaries shall be signed and ratified, sincere friendship shall be re-established between his Britannic Majesty and his Most Christian Majesty, and between his said Britannic Majesty and his Catholic Majesty, their kingdoms, states, and subjects, by sea, and by land, in all parts of the world. Orders shall be sent to the armies and squadrons, as well as to the subjects, of the three powers, to stop all hostilities, and to live in the most perfect union, forgetting what is past; of which their sovereigns give them the order and example: And, for the execution of this article, sea-passes shall be given, on each side, for the ships which shall be dispatched to carry the news of it to the respective possessions of the three powers.

ART. 2. His Most Christian Majesty renounces all pretensions which he has heretofore formed, or might have formed, to Nova Scotia, or Acadia, in all its parts; and guaranties the whole of it, with all its dependencies, to the King of Great Britain: Moreover, his Most Christian Majesty cedes, and guaranties, to his said Britannic Majesty, in full right, Canada, with all its dependencies, as well as the island of Cape Breton, and all the other islands in the gulph and river of St Lawrence, without restriction, and without any liberty to depart from this cession and guaranty, under any pretence, or to trouble Great Britain in the possessions above mentioned. His Britannic Majesty, on his side, agrees to grant to the inhabitants of Canada the liberty of the Catholic religion: he will, in consequence, give the most exact and the most effectual orders, that his new Roman Catholic subjects may profess the worship of their religion, according to the rites of the Roman church, as far as the laws of Great Britain permit. His Britannic Majesty further agrees, that the French inhabitants, or others who would have been subjects of the Most Christian King in Canada, may retire, in all safety and freedom, where-ever they please; and may sell their estates, provided it be to his Britannic Majesty's subjects, and transport their effects, as well as their persons, without being restrained in their emigration, under any pretence whatsoever, except debts, or criminal prosecutions; the term limited for this emigration being fixed to the space of eighteen months, to be computed from the day of the ratification of the definitive treaty.

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ART. 3. The subjects of France shall have the liberty of fishing, and drying, on a part of the coasts of the island of Newfoundland, such as it is specified in the 13th article of the treaty of Utrecht *; which article shall be confirmed and renewed by the approaching definitive treaty, except what regards the island of Cape Breton, as well as the other islands in the mouth and in the gulph of St Lawrence; and his Britannic Majesty consents to leave to the Most Christian King's subjects the liberty to fish in the gulph of St Lawrence, on condition that the subjects of France do not exercise the said fishery, but at the distance of three leagues from all the coasts belonging to Great Britain, as well those of the continent as those of the islands situated in the said gulph of St Lawrence. And as to what relates to the fishery out of the said gulph, his Most Christian Majesty's subjects shall not exercise the fishery, but at the distance of fifteen leagues from the coasts of the island of Cape Breton.

ART. 4. The King of Great Britain cedes the islands of St Peter and of Miquelon †, in full right, to his Most Christian Majesty, to serve as a shelter for the French fishermen; and his said Majesty obliges himself, on his Royal word, not to fortify the said islands; to

* The island called Newfoundland, with the adjacent islands, shall from this time forward belong of right wholly to Great Britain; and to that end, the town and fortrefs of Placentia, and whatever other places in the said island are in possession of the French, shall be yielded and given up, within seven months from the exchange of the ratifications of this treaty, or sooner if possible, by the Most Christian King, to those who have a commission from the Queen of Great Britain for that purpose. Nor shall the Most Christian King, his heirs and successors, or any of their subjects, at any time hereafter, lay claim to any right to the said island and islands, or to any part of it or them. Moreover, it shall not be lawful for the subjects of France to fortify any place in the said island of Newfoundland, or to erect any buildings there, besides stages made of boards, and huts necessary and useful for drying of fish; or to resort to the said island beyond the time necessary for fishing and the drying of fish. But it shall be allowed to the subjects of France, to catch fish, and dry them on land, in that part only, and in no other besides that, of the said island of Newfoundland, which stretches from the place called Cape Bona Vista, to the northern part of the said island; and from thence running down by the western side, reaches as far as the point called Point Roche. But the island called Cape Breton, as also all others, both in the mouth of the river St Lawrence, and in the gulph of the same name, shall hereafter belong in right to the French; and the Most Christian King shall have all manner of liberty to fortify any place or places there. *Utrecht treaty, art. 13.*

† Those two isles, which, together with another lesser one, at no great distance, go all under the name of the Isles of St Peter, lie to the south of Newfoundland. Of the three Miquelon, or (as it is called in the English maps and books of geography) Maguelon, is by much the largest, being, according to computation, about three leagues in length. The soil of this island is more even, as well as the face of the country more level, than that of the other two; the isles of St Peter being full of very steep mountains, covered with mofs, under which, some say, is found a very beautiful kind of porphyry. They all of them contain some arable land, which induced the French to make settlements here a few years ago, on their rendering themselves masters of these islands, by means of their establishment at Fort St Louis.

erect no buildings there, but merely for the conveniency of the fishery; and to keep there only a guard of fifty men for the police.

ART. 5. The town and port of Dunkirk shall be put into the state fixed by the last treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle, and by former treaties: the cunette shall remain as it now is, provided that the English engineers, named by his Britannic Majesty, and received at Dunkirk by order of his Most Christian Majesty, verify, that this cunette is only of use for the wholesomeness of the air, and the health of the inhabitants.

ART. 6. In order to re establish peace on the most solid and lasting foundations, and to remove for ever every subject of dispute with regard to the limits of the British and French territories on the continent of America, it is agreed, that, for the future, the confines between the dominions of his Britannic Majesty, and those of his Most Christian Majesty, in that part of the world, shall be irrevocably fixed by a line drawn along the middle of the river Mississippi, from its source, as far as the river Iberville, and from thence by a line drawn along the middle of this river, and of the lakes Maurepas and Pontchartrain, to the sea; and to this purpose, the Most Christian King cedes in full right, and guaranties to his Britannic Majesty, the river and port of Mobile, and every thing that he possesses, or ought to have possessed, on the left side of the river Mississippi, except the town of New Orleans, and the island on which it is situated, which shall remain to France; provided that the navigation of the river Mississippi shall be equally free, as well to the subjects of Great Britain as to those of France, in its whole breadth and length, from its source to the sea, and that part expressly which is between the said island of New Orleans, and the right bank of that river, as well as the passage both in and out of its mouth. It is further stipulated, that the vessels belonging to the subjects of either nation, shall not be stopped, visited, or subjected to the payment of any duty whatsoever. The stipulations in favour of the inhabitants of Canada, inserted in the 2d article, shall also take place with regard to the inhabitants of the countries ceded by this article.

ART. 7. The King of Great Britain shall restore to France the islands of Guadaloupe, of Marigalante, of Desirade, of Martinico, and of Belleisle; and the fortresses of these islands shall be restored in the same condition they were in when they were conquered by the British arms: provided that the term of eighteen months, to be computed from the day of the ratification of the definitive treaty, shall be granted to his Britannic Majesty's subjects who may have settled in the said islands, and other places restored to France by the definitive treaty, to sell their estates, recover their debts, and to transport their effects, as well as their persons, without being restrained, on account of their religion, or under any other pretence whatsoever, except that of debts, or of criminal prosecutions.

ART. 8. The Most Christian King cedes and guaranties to his Britannic Majesty, in full right, the islands of Grenada, and the Grenadines, with the same stipulations in favour of the inhabitants of this colony,

colony, as are inserted in the 2d article for those of Canada : and the partition of the islands called Neutral is agreed and fixed, so that those of St Vincent, Dominico, and Tobago, shall remain in full right to England, and that of St Lucia shall be delivered to France, to enjoy the same in like manner, in full right : The two crowns reciprocally guarantying to each other the partition so stipulated.

ART. 9. His Britannic Majesty shall restore to France the island of Gorée, in the condition it was in when conquered : and his Most Christian Majesty cedes in full right, and guarantees to the King of Great Britain, Senegal.

ART. 10. In the East Indies, Great Britain shall restore to France the several comptoirs which that Crown had on the coast of Coromandel, as well as on that of Malabar, and also in Bengal, at the commencement of hostilities between the two companies in the year 1749, in the condition in which they now are, on condition that his Most Christian Majesty renounces the acquisitions which he has made on the coast of Coromandel since the said commencement of hostilities between the two companies in the year 1749.

His Most Christian Majesty, on his side, shall restore all that he shall have conquered from Great Britain, in the East Indies, during the present war ; and he also engages not to erect any fortifications, or to keep any troops in Bengal.

ART. 11. The island of Minorca shall be restored to his Britannic Majesty, as well as Fort St Philip, in the same condition they were in when they were conquered by the arms of the Most Christian King ; and with the artillery that was there at the taking of the said island, and of the said fort.

ART. 12. France shall restore all the countries belonging to the Electorate of Hanover, to the Landgrave of Hesse, to the Duke of Brunswick, and to the Count of La Lippe Buckeburg, which are, or shall be occupied by the arms of his Most Christian Majesty : the fortresses of these different countries shall be restored in the same condition they were in when they were conquered by the French arms ; and the pieces of artillery which shall have been carried elsewhere, shall be replaced by the same number, of the same bore, weight, and metal. As to what regards hostages exacted or given during the war, to this day, they shall be sent back without ransom.

ART. 13. After the ratification of the preliminaries, France shall evacuate, as soon as it can be done, the fortresses of Cleves, Wezel, and Guelders, and in general all the countries belonging to the King of Prussia ; and, at the same time, the British and French armies shall evacuate all the countries which they occupy, or may then occupy, in Westphalia, Lower Saxony, on the Lower Rhine, the Upper Rhine, and in all the Empire ; and each shall retire into the dominions of their respective sovereigns : and their Britannic and Most Christian Majesties farther engage and promise, not to furnish any succour, of any kind, to their respective allies, who shall continue engaged in the present war in Germany.

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ART. 14. The towns of Ostend and Nieuport shall be evacuated by his Most Christian Majesty's troops, immediately after the signature of the present preliminaries.

ART. 15. The decision of the prizes made on the Spaniards by the subjects of Great Britain, in time of peace, shall be referred to the courts of justice of the admiralty of Great Britain, conformably to the rules established among all nations; so that the validity of the said prizes, between the British and Spanish nations, shall be decided and judged, according to the law of nations, and according to treaties, in the courts of justice of the nation who shall have made the capture.

ART. 16. His Britannic Majesty shall cause all the fortifications to be demolished which his subjects shall have erected in the bay of Honduras, and other places of the territory of Spain in that part of the world, four months after the ratification of the definitive treaty: and his Catholic Majesty shall not, for the future, suffer the subjects of his Britannic Majesty, or their workmen, to be disturbed or molested, under any pretence whatsoever, in their occupation of cutting, loading, and carrying away logwood; and, for this purpose, they may build without hindrance, and occupy without interruption, the houses and magazines necessary for them, for their families, and for their effects; and his said Catholic Majesty assures to them, by this article, the entire enjoyment of what is above stipulated.

ART. 17. His Catholic Majesty desists from all pretension which he may have formed to the right of fishing about the island of Newfoundland.

ART. 18. The King of Great Britain shall restore to Spain all that he has conquered in the island of Cuba, with the fortresses of the Havana; and that fortresses, as well as all the other fortresses of the said island, shall be restored in the same condition they were in when they were conquered by his Britannic Majesty's arms.

ART. 19. In consequence of the restitution stipulated in the preceding article, his Catholic Majesty cedes, and guaranties, in full right to his Britannic Majesty, all that Spain possesses on the continent of North America, to the east, or to the south-east, of the river Mississippi. And his Britannic Majesty agrees to grant to the inhabitants of this country, above ceded, the liberty of the Catholic religion; he will, in consequence, give the most exact and the most effectual orders, that his new Roman Catholic subjects may profess the worship of their religion according to the rites of the Roman church, as far as the laws of Great Britain permit. His Britannic Majesty farther agrees, that the Spanish inhabitants, or others who would have been subjects of the Catholic King in the said countries, may retire, in all safety and freedom, where-ever they please, and may sell their estates, provided it be to his Britannic Majesty's subjects, and transport their effects, as well as their persons, without being restrained in their emigration, under any pretence whatsoever, except debts, or criminal prosecutions: the term limited for this emigration being fixed to the space of eighteen months, to be computed from the day of the ratification

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cation of the definitive treaty. It is further stipulated, that his Catholic Majesty shall have power to cause all the effects that belong to him, either artillery or others, to be carried away.

ART. 20. The King of Portugal, his Britannic Majesty's ally, is expressly included in the present preliminary articles. And their Most Christian and Catholic Majesties engage to re-establish the ancient peace and friendship between them and his Most Faithful Majesty: and they promise,

1. That there shall be a total cessation of hostilities between the crowns of Spain and Portugal, and between the Spanish and French troops, on the one side, and the Portuguese troops, and those of their allies, on the other, immediately after the ratification of these preliminaries; and that there shall be a like cessation of hostilities between the respective forces of the Most Christian and Catholic Kings, on the one part, and those of the Most Faithful King, on the other, in all other parts of the world, as well by sea as by land; which cessation shall be fixed on the same epochs, and under the same conditions, as that between Great Britain, France, and Spain, and shall continue till the conclusion of the definitive treaty between Great Britain, France, Spain, and Portugal.

2. That all his Most Faithful Majesty's fortresses and countries in Europe which shall have been conquered by the Spanish and French armies, shall be restored in the same condition they were in when they were conquered: and that, with regard to the Portuguese colonies in America or elsewhere, if any change shall have happened in them, all things shall be put again on the same footing they were before the present war. And the Most Faithful King shall be invited to cede to the present preliminary articles as soon as shall be possible.

ART. 21. All the countries and territories which may have been conquered in any part of the world whatsoever, by the arms of their Britannic and Most Faithful Majesties, as well as by those of their Most Christian and Catholic Majesties, which are not included in the present articles, either under the title of cessions, or under the title of restitutions, shall be restored without difficulty, and without requiring compensations.

ART. 22. As it is necessary to assign a fixed epoch for the restitutions, and the evacuations, to be made by each of the high contracting parties, it is agreed, that the British and French troops shall proceed, immediately after the ratification of the preliminaries, to the evacuation of the countries which they occupy in the empire, or elsewhere, conformably to the 12th and 13th articles.

The island of Belleisle shall be evacuated six weeks after the ratification of the definitive treaty, or sooner if it can be done.

Guadaloupe, Desirade, Marigalante, Martinico, and St Lucia, three months after the ratification of the definitive treaty, or sooner if it can be done.

Great Britain shall likewise, at the end of three months after the ratification of the definitive treaty, or sooner if it can be done, enter into possession of the river and of the port of Mobile, and of all that

is to form the limits of the territory of Great Britain, on the side of the river Mississippi, as they are specified in the 6th article.

The island of Gorée shall be evacuated by Great Britain, three months after the ratification of the definitive treaty; and the island of Minorca by France, at the same epoch, or sooner if it can be done. And, according to the conditions of the 6th article, France shall also enter into possession of the islands of St Peter, and of Miquelon, at the end of three months.

The comptoirs in the East Indies shall be restored six months after the ratification of the definitive treaty, or sooner if it can be done.

The island of Cuba, with the fortress of the Havanna, shall be restored, three months after the ratification of the definitive treaty, or sooner if it can be done: and, at the same time, Great Britain shall enter into possession of the country ceded by Spain according to the 19th article.

All the fortresses and countries of his Most Faithful Majesty, in Europe, shall be restored immediately after the ratification of the definitive treaty: and the Portuguese colonies which may have been conquered, shall be restored in the space of three months in the West Indies, and of six months in the East Indies, after the ratification of the definitive treaty, or sooner if it can be done.

In consequence whereof, the necessary orders shall be sent by each of the high contracting parties, with reciprocal passports for the ships which shall carry them, immediately after the ratification of the definitive treaty.

ART. 23. All the treaties, of what nature soever, which existed before the present war, as well between their Britannic and Most Christian Majesties, as between their Britannic and Catholic Majesties, as also between any of the above-named Powers and his Most Faithful Majesty, shall be, as they are in effect, renewed and confirmed, in all their points which are not derogated from by the present preliminary articles, notwithstanding whatever may have been stipulated to the contrary by any of the high contracting parties; and all the said parties declare, that they will not suffer any privilege, favour, or indulgence, to subsist contrary to the treaties above confirmed.

ART. 24. The prisoners made respectively by the arms of their Britannic, Most Christian, Catholic, and Most Faithful Majesties, by land and by sea, shall be restored reciprocally, and *bona fide*, after the ratification of the definitive treaty, without ransom, paying the debts they shall have contracted during their captivity. And each crown shall respectively pay the advances which shall have been made for the subsistence and maintenance of their prisoners, by the sovereign of the country where they shall have been detained, according to the receipts and attested accounts, and other authentic titles which shall be furnished on each side.

ART. 25. In order to prevent all causes of complaints, and disputes, which may arise, on account of ships, merchandises, and other effects, which may be taken by sea, it is reciprocally agreed, that the ships, merchandises, and effects, which may be taken in the Channel, and in the

North

North seas, after the space of twelve days, to be computed from the ratification of the present preliminary articles, shall be reciprocally restored on each side.

That the term shall be six weeks for the prizes taken from the Channel, the British seas, and the North seas, as far as the Canary islands inclusively, either in the Ocean, or in the Mediterranean.

Three months from the said Canary islands, as far as the Equinoctial Line or Equator.

Lastly, six months, beyond the said Equinoctial Line, or Equator, and in all other parts of the world, without any exception, or other more particular description of time and place.

ART. 26. The ratifications of the present preliminary articles shall be expedited in good and due form, and exchanged in the space of one month, or sooner if it can be done, to be computed from the day of the signature of the present articles.

In witness whereof, we the underwritten ministers-plenipotentiary of his Britannic Majesty, of his Most Christian Majesty, and of his Catholic Majesty, in virtue of our respective full powers, have signed the present preliminary articles, and have caused the seal of our arms to be put thereto.

Done at Fountainebleau, the 3d day of November 1762.

BEDFORD, C. P. S.

(L. S.)

CHOISEUL, DUC DE PRASLIN.

(L. S.)

El MARQ. DE GRIMALDI.

(L. S.)

Declaration, signed at Fountainebleau, the 3d of November, 1762, by the French Plenipotentiary, relating to the 13th Article of the Preliminaries.

His Most Christian Majesty declares, that, in agreeing to the 13th article of the preliminaries, signed this day, he does not mean to renounce the right of acquitting his debts to his allies; and that the remittances which may be made on his part, in order to acquit the arrears that may be due on the subsidies of preceding years, are not to be considered as an infraction of the said article.

In witness whereof, I, the underwritten minister-plenipotentiary of his Most Christian Majesty, have signed the present declaration, and have caused the seal of my arms to be put thereto.

Done at Fountainebleau, the 3d day of November 1762.

(L. S.) CHOISEUL, DUC DE PRASLIN.

E R R A T A.

VOLUME FIRST.

Page 97. line 1. 3. & 6. from the bottom, and in a few of the following pages, read *St Lazar* instead of *St Lezar*.

VOLUME THIRD.

Page 141. line 27. read *Governor* instead of *Government*.

APPENDIX.

Note 104.	read <i>Culpee</i> instead of <i>Culpu</i> .	
109.	read <i>Le Tonnant</i> instead of <i>L'Etonant</i> .	
129.	read <i>Witt. Taylor</i> instead of <i>Pol Taylor</i> .	
137.	read <i>De Chaffaut</i> instead of <i>De Beaufremont</i> .	
142.	after Total,	7520
	add Exclusive of the corps under M. de	
	Bougainville, of	2060
		9580
196.	after the word <i>Shannon</i> add 36.	

